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A Disastrous Explosion On Board Steamer

As Result of Explosion one Man is Dead, Another is Missing And a Number of Others Badly Injured.

Cause of Explosion is Unknown—Number of Injured Will Lose Limbs--Another Fatal Explosion Occurred.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 20.—One man is dead, another missing and nearly a score of others were injured by an explosion on board the German steamer Arcadia, from Hamburg.

The injured are suffering from burns and lacerations.

The majority of the injured are negro stevedores.

Some will lose limbs.

The explosion occurred in one of the holds of the steamer and its cause is not known.

Another Fatal Explosion.

Monongahela, Pa., June 20.—One American and three foreigners are dead and one American and five foreigners injured as the result of the explosion yesterday at Ellsworth Coal Mine No. 1. The accident, it is said, was caused by a foreigner entering the mine with a lighted torch. Had the accident occurred a short time earlier the entire day force of 500 miners would have been caught and probably another horrible mine disaster recorded.

Hackett Believes There Will Be a Stampede

"Neither Craig, Kitchin nor Horne will receive the Democratic nomination for governor of the grand old North State at the hands of the convention which meets soon at Charlotte," said Congressman R. N. Hackett, when seen by a representative of the Winston-Salem Journal yesterday afternoon. Continuing he said: "The dark horse proposition seems the most probable to me, and I think that a man will be nominated for governor who has not, up to this time, been before the public in the guise of a candidate."

THE TENT MEETING.

The Third Week a Greater Success Than Preceeding One.

This, the third week of the Davidson tent meetings, has been attended with far greater success than the two preceeding weeks, which were very successful and interesting. The power of the Lord has been manifested in such a wonderful way that large numbers have been moved to seek the Lord many of whom have openly acknowledged Christ as their Savor.

Three special services tomorrow will conclude these meetings, one at 11 o'clock a. m. at which time Mr. Luther Black will speak and the other at 3:30 p. m. Mr. Scott L. Owen will preach. Mr. Osborne, Mr. A. B. Price and Mr. D. S. Hoover will sing.

All of these men are known as good singers therefore all many come expecting special music at this service. The last service begins at 7:30 p. m. Mr. G. W. Fink will speak at that time, and the above mentioned singers will likely sing at this service also.

DEATH OF A CHILD

Little 15-Months Old Son of Mr. T. J. Northey Passes Away.

Thomas, the 15-months-old son of Mr. Thomas J. Northey, died yesterday afternoon, at the residence of his grandmother, Mrs. Martha K. Trott. The funeral services will be held this afternoon by Rev. Father Joseph, at 409 North Poplar street, at 6 o'clock. The pallbearers will be Messrs. C. M. Phelan, H. O. Womax, E. E. Hall and W. W. Wilkes.

The sympathy of the community, and especially of his immediate neighbors, goes out to Mr. Northey in the loss of the little boy to whom he was so devotedly attached.

S. S. Convention.

By Associated Press.

Louisville, Ky., June 20.—An important feature of the international Sunday school convention was report of the lesson committee, which proposed the resolution that the convention instruct the lesson committee to be appointed to continue the work of arranging and issuing uniform lessons as heretofore.

Fred Douglass League Has Been Organized

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., June 20.—The Fred Douglass National Republican League was organized last night by 75 negro voters from the West, North and South. The members will devote their efforts towards gaining the support of negroes throughout the country to stand by the nominees selected at the national Republican convention.

NEWS FORECAST OF COMING WEEK

Washington, D. C., June 20.—With the Republican ticket named there will be a temporary lull in the national political arena until the time approaches for the delegates to gather in Denver for the Democratic nominating convention.

One of the interesting political events of the week will be the state primary in Tennessee next Saturday, the esult of which will determine the gubernatorial contest between Governor Patterson and former Senator Carmack.

Iowa Republicans will meet in state convention at Waterloo to ratify the results of the recent primary, and Georgia Democrats will meet in Atlanta for the same purpose and also to choose delegates to the Denver convention.

The three-cornered race for the governorship of North Carolina will be settled at the Democratic state convention in Charlotte Wednesday. Vermont Democrats will meet in convention at Burlington Friday to name a state ticket and select delegates-at-large to the Denver convention.

Americans will be much interested in the wedding of Miss Jess Reid, daughter of Whitelaw Reid, the American ambassador to Great Britain, and Hon. John Hubert Ward, brother of the Earl of Dudley, which is scheduled to take place in the chapel royal of St. James palace next Tuesday.

During the week commencement exercises will be held at Harvard, Yale and other big colleges, with reunions of alumni and addresses by men of note.

The week will be filled with events of interest to all lovers of aquatic sports, including the two biggest boat races of the year in America. The crews of Yale and Harvard will have it out on the Thames at New London Thursday and two days later the crews of half a dozen leading colleges will meet on the Hudson in the annual regatta of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association.

Leading conventions of the week will include the annual meetings of the National Association of Credit Men at Denver; the Travelers' Protective association at Milwaukee; the United Commercial Travelers at Columbus; the American Library association at Minneapolis; the International Association of Factory Inspectors at Toronto, and the biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in Boston.

CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATES

Appointed by County Convention to Convention on Tuesday.

Ward 1, Precinct 1.—Jas. W. Wadsworth, S. J. Asbury, M. M. Murphy.

Ward 1, Precinct 2.—C. H. Duls, W. H. Hall, T. J. Davis.

Ward 2, Precinct 1.—Sam H. Kell, W. W. Haywood, G. B. Cabaniss, Harold Hall.

Ward 2, Precinct 2.—Joe Garibaldi, Dr. B. J. Witherspoon, B. S. Davis.

Ward 3, Precinct 1.—W. F. Buchannan, R. J. Sifford, J. W. Cobb.

Ward 3, Precinct 2.—Wm. Garibaldi, Sr., Thos. Stewart, E. F. Creswell, W. F. Strange.

Ward 4, Precinct 1.—J. Renwick Wilkes, Pat. M. Cave, C. L. Oates.

Ward 4, Precinct 2.—E. S. Williams, E. S. Berryhill, J. D. McCall, Mark W. Williams, J. A. Bell.

Providence—Chas. McGinnis, L. H. Robinson, Dr. J. T. Kell, Jas A. Blakeley, Green Ray.

Morning Star—J. Watt Hood, A. J. Williams, T. J. Renfrow, Jno. Stephens, Will Hood.

Clear Creek—W. J. Craig, C. P. Mungo, W. T. Strange, D. A. Henderson.

Paw Creek—T. P. Baker, Newton Todd, D. A. McCord, M. S. Clark.

Berryhill—S. S. Herron, Bruce Brown, Will McGinn, R. C. Freeman.

Steel Creek, Box 1—W. M. Peoples, J. B. Watt, L. H. Grier, A. A. Porter.

Steel Creek, Box 2.—John Milwee, Frank Neely, Jno. Porter, Will B. Choate, Jas. Sledge.

Lemley's—W. M. Blythe, J. T. Cashion, J. Milton Alexander.

Deweese—Frank Sherrill, Jake Smith, B. B. Smith, J. Lee Sloan, Houston Brown.

Long Creek—A. McCoy, J. O. Glyas, E. L. Reems.

Crab Orchard, Box 1.—J. M. Wallace, C. L. Abernethy, C. B. Cross, S. J. Alexander.

Crab Orchard, Box 2.—B. B. King, Jno. A. Newell, N. S. Alexander.

Mallard Creek—J. Walker Galloway, Jno. P. Hunter, Dr. S. M. Henderson, D. P. McCord, H. Howland.

Huntersville—Jno. W. Cress,. J. L. Choate Will Blythe, S. J. Millon, Jno. L. Miller, D. W. Mayes.

Pineville.—W. A. Smith, Tom Garrison, W. C. Barnett, Ed. Russell, Let. Sharpe.

Other delegates are: F. R. McNinch, C. D. Bennett, W. C. Dowd, and H. N. Pharr.

Kenny & Company are giving away Washington hats with each purchase today. They are very pretty.

Mr. J. Flem Johnston, of Gastonia, is at the Selwyn.

THEY WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP!

GETTING READY FOR THE BIG CONVENTION!

DEEP MYSTERY SURROUNDS THIS DOUBLE TRAGEDY

By Associated Press.

New Philadelphia, O., June 20.—How Charles Stach, 45 years old, was probably fatally wounded and Miss Arline Knisely, 19 years of age, was killed late last night, when their bodies were found in the heart of the city, is a mystery which the polics are working on to solve.

Fallen forward over the dashboard of a buggy, the horse walking about in a circle, the body of Miss Knisely, with a bullet in her brain, was found.

A few yards distant, beside the roadway, Stach was discovered, groaning in pain, with a bullet hole above his right eye. From remarks made by the wounded man, it is believed that the couple were attacked.

To add to the mystery, the police found a revolver in the box of the buggy, four chambers of which contained discharged shells.

Stach is a married man. For some time he had been operating a theatre in which Miss Knisely was ticket seller.

Murderer Spotted.

Cleveland, Ohio, June 20.—According to information received by the police, Robert Steuve is charged with the murder of John Spach and Miss. Arline Knisely and orders have been received from the New Philadelphia police to arrest him.

Cleveland Court House To be Dedicated July 4th.

Special to The News.

Shelby, June 20.—The new court will be formally dedicated on July 4th. Preparations are being made for a great time on that day. Prominent speakers will be here, among whom will be Judge Hoke, of Lincolnton.

On the night of the 3rd a reception will be tendered by the officers of the county to the people generally, thereby enabling them to see all over the court house.

A Charming Reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. D. Lineberger gave a reception on Friday night for Mr. and Mrs. William Lineberger who were married last week. Their beautiful home on Marion street was profusely yet tastefully decorated. There were nearly two hundred invited guests. Receiving with Mr. and Mrs. Lineberger were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lineberger, Mr. and Mrs John Settle, of Lincolnton, and Miss Ina Sisk.

Amateur Theatricals.

Local talent, directed by Miss M. M. Crutchfield presented "The Union Depot for a Day," in the auditorium Thursday night with great success. The play was given under the auspices of the Civic League. The receipts were $135.00.

Marriage at High Point.

Special to The News.

High Point, N. C., June 20.—At 8:30 o'clock at the home of the sister of the bride, Mrs. J. T. Best, Dr. A. P. Staley and Miss Kate Maddox were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The marriage was kept very quiet, and only the relatives and a few immediate friends of the family were present to witness the ceremony. The bride and groom left on the 10:30 train for a tour North and will be absent for a week or ten days.

Dr. Staley is one of our most popular merchants here, and numbers his friends among all his acquaintances. The bride is the youngest daughter of Col. D. F. Maddox, and is a bright and attractive young woman.

—The Friday night contest at the Bijou was well attended last night. Several boys' shoes were placed in a barrel of flour and the boy getting his on and tied first won the prize.

Aeronauts Had to Flee from Enraged Bull

By Associated Press.

Pittsfield, Mass., June 20.—The balloon Boston which made its initial ascent here yesterday, landed safely last night on the mountain near the Vermont-Hampshire boundary line. Charles J. Glidden, of Boston, owner of the balloon and Leo Stephens, New York aeronaut, who were passengers, had a very exciting trip. In addition to being the target for rifle bullets during the flight, Glidden and Stephens landed in a pasture where a young bull was confined, and were obliged to run at top speed and scramble over a fence.

SPARTANBURG TRAIN WRECKED -NO ONE KILLED

Special to The News.

Spartanburg, S. C., June 20.—Passenger train No. 9, which left here this morning enroute to Asheville was wrecked six miles out of Spartanburg at 11:30. The baggage master was injured by trunks being thrown against him, though his injuries are not serious. The tender left the track and was thrown into the field. The mail coach and baggage car were thrown cross wise across the track.

A large party of T. P. A. delegates from here and other points in the state were aboard the train enroute to Milwaukee to attend the convention. Among the passengers were J. H. Dudley, of Columbia, Mr. McIver, of Sumter and A. L. Byrd, of Columbia.

None of the passengers were injured. Several Charleston people were aboard the train but they are all safe. A special train will be made up this afternoon to carry passengers through to Asheville.

Saloons All Closed.

Cullman, Ala., June 20.—All of the saloons here closed Thursday night. They have been doing business for months in spite of the prohibition election, which decreed that they should stop. The saloon men contended that the election was held illegally. The Alabama supreme court yesterday sustained the election result and the state prohibition laws making a sweeping victory for the prohibitionists.

Ice Cream Supper in Belmont.

The members of the Young People's Aid society of the Louise Baptist church will serve ice cream in front of Mr. A. B. McKinnon's residence in Belmont park tonight from 7 to 10 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

MARRIAGE BANNS ANNA GOULD AND DE SAGAN POSTED

By Associated Press.

Paris, June 20.—The marriage banns of Madame Anna Gould, formerly the Countess De Castellane and Prince Helie De Sagan, cousin of Madame Gould's first husband, were this morning posted on the walls of the offices of the mayors of the 16th and 17th arrondissments of Paris, in accordance with the law that requires the publication of an intended marriage in the arrondissement of each contracting party.

Neither Madame Gould nor Prince De Sagan appeared personally in the mayors' offices, friends in each case acting for them.

Silver Service to Be Presented July 4th.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., June 20.—The silver service will be presented to the battleship North Carolina by the people of that state off Cape Lookout on July 4th.

After the presentation the ship will proceed to the Norfolk navy yard.

—The Seaboard Air Line Railway company has announced an excursion to Wilmington on July 14th. Like the one this week, it will be a three days trip.

STORM DAMAGE AMOUNTS TO OVER $200,000

By Associated Press.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 20.—Reports from western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and West Virginia are slowly reaching here, showing that damage from two severe storms, one lost evening and one today, will amount to over $200,000.

About 10 persons were injured, none fatally.

In a number of places communication has been seriously crippled and accurate details of the storm are not known.

High Point Now Has Chamber of Commerce

Special to The News.

Raleigh, N. C., June 20.—The High Point Chamber of Commerce was chartered for promoting the commercial and industrial development of the city. Mr. W. N. Wilborne, C. L. Wheeler, A. S. Caldwell, T. J. Gold and others are the incorporators.

A special term of criminal court for Robeson county was ordered beginning July 13, one week, relieving a congested condition of the jail. Judge Biggs of Durham will preside.

Students to Visit Brazil.

Boston, Mass., June 20.—The departure today of a party of students of the Boston high school of commerce for Brazil, where they are to study commercial relations and similar subjects, furnishes another proof of the growing relationship between the United States and the South American republics. The Brazilian government has offered to extend to the students every courtesy, even to reduced hotel rates and free passage on the steamships and railways in the interior.

Unveiling of Statue at Quebec.

Quebec, June 20. Arrangements have been completed for the three days' festivities to be held in connection with the unveiling of the statue of Mgr. De Laval. The program will be ushered in tomorrow morning with a solemn Te Deum in all the parishes and missions of the diocese.

FUNERAL OF MR. NORTHEY.

Services to Be Conducted at the Home By Rev. Mr. Totten.

The funeral of Mr. John D. Northey, whose death occurred yesterday morning will be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock at the residence on South Church street. The services will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Totten, of Calvary Methodist church, and the interment will be at Elmwood.

Terrific Explosion.

By Associated Press.

Denver, June 20.—About 125 men were employed at the powder plant. A number of windows were broken at Fort Logan. The shock was also felt at South Denver.

Temperature Highest Since Last Summer

Today's temperature was the highest since last summer. At 2 o'clock the mercury was slowly creeping up toward 95 degrees and that mark was undoubtedly reached later in the afternoon. At a quarter past 2 o'clock the themometer recorded a fraction more than 93 degrees.

People have sweltered under the hot rays of the sun and they did not have to be told that the mercury had reached a high mark. The streets were blistering hot. They gave a heat that was almost unbearable.

CINCINNATI GROWS ENTHUSIASTIC ON TAFT'S RETURN

By Associated Press.

Cincinnati, Ohio, June 20.—Taft's home-coming was a joyous one. The station was thronged with admirers of the Republican standard bearer, who gave him an enthusiastic reception.

His brother, Charles, was the first to greet him. Then followed the meeting between Taft and Sherman, who exchanged congratulations.

The committees of welcome escorted Secretary Taft and Sherman to the home of Charles Taft.

The sidewalks were thronged with people and the houses along the route were ablaze with blue and Old Glory.

A great crowd is assembled around the Taft residence.

A conference is to be held by Taft and the sub-committee of the national committee, when it wil probably be determined who will be chairman of committee, when it will probably be paign.

Well Known Editor Dead.

By Associated Press.

Los Angeles, Calif., June 20.—Donelson Caffrey Jenkins, in the '50's and '60's one of the best known newspaper editors in the country, being the owner and editor-in-chief of the New Orleans Delta, and later of the Picayune, died at Sierra Madre, aged 83.

"Keep Up the Fight."

By Associated Press.

San Francisco, Cal., June 20.—The Call today prints a letter dated June 8th, at the white house, from President Roosevelt to Rudolph Spreckels, in which he comments upon the local graft prosecutions and urges the prosecutors to "Keep up the fight."

TO DECORATE THE NEW AUDITORIUM

It Will Compare in Brilliance With a National Convention Hall When the Committee on Ornamentation Gets Through With It—Unique Design at the Square.

The splendid new Auditorium will compare with a national convention hall when the committee on decorations get through with it, preparatory to the coming of the state convention. The decorations will be finished by Monday evening, and The News was informed by Col. A. L. Smith today that the ladies of the city are invited to call at the auditorium to inspect its beauty, between the hours of 5 and 10 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon and evening.

The decoration committee has already placed a unique design on the public square. At each of three corners is pasted up the pictures of the three candidates, Kitchin, Craig and Horne, while at the fourth corner, on the skyscraper side, is a big interrogation point, the significance of which is apparent. The News quoted a Charlotte hittizen as suggesting some such design as this. Whether the committee saw this or not, the scheme is certainly a good one.

As to Control Of Tennessee Central

By Associated Press.

Memphis, Tenn., June 20.—The Commercial Appeal published the following: "The Illinois Central, it is learned, has decided not to exercise its July 1st option of the controlling interest in the Tennessee Central, and on that date it gives it gives up its option of this line over which the Illinois Central reaches Nashville. The Southern railway, which, along with the Illinois Central, has an interest in this option, will not exercise its right, as was made known some time ago, so that on July 1 the control of the Tennessee Central will revert to the former owners."

Illinois Central Abandons Nashville Line.

This means the abandonment by the Illinois Central of the line under its own control into Nashville.

It is said that the line to Nashville had been operated at a loss. The Tennessee Central runs from the Kentucky line to Nashville and thence by way of the Lebano and Cookville through the Cumberland mountains to Harriman.

At the Harriman terminus connection is made with the branch line of the Southern railway to Knoxville and with the Cincinnati Southern railway which is a part of the Queen and Crescent system.

MECKLENBURG TO HAVE SIXTY-SIX IN DELEGATION

After a Hot Battle in The County Convention at The Court House This Mumber is Decided on For State Convention.

Resolutions in Favor of Messrs. C. C. Moore And W. W. Haywood Adopted, And One For a State-Wide Primary.

Mecklenburg will send 66 delegates to the state convention on the 24th.

This was decided upon only after the hottest kind of a fight in the county convention today. Mr. Cam Morrison, for the Craig forces, moved for 110 delegates, or five delegates for each convention vote. Mr. D. B. Smith, for the Horne people, asked for 66 delegates, or three for each convention vote. Mr. C. W. Tillett, of the Kitchin camp, moved that there be two for each convention vote, or 44.

Various arguments were advanced by adherents of each of these three motions. Nothing seemed to be involved in the matter except the question of available space, and yet the speeches developed much feeling on the part of the followers of the respective candidates for governor.

Mr. Tillett's substitute motion for 44 delegates was finally voted down and Mr. D. B. Smith's motion for 66 delegates was carried by a large majority on a rising vote.

The convention declared in favor of a state-wide primary and the Australian ballot, and declared heartily in favor of Mr. C. C. Moore for commissioner of agriculture, and Mr. W. W. Haywood for commissioner of labor and printing.

Mr. Bell Raps for Order.

County Chairman J. A. Bell called the convention to order.

"I want to express the appreciation of the executive committee," he said, "and of the Democrats of the county to the election of officers for their work in the county primary. They quit their work and came to town to get tickets, etc., and did it all from pure loyalty to the party. We have just passed through a heated primary and I just want to say that I hope our loyalty to our party friends will not affect our loyalty to the party as a whole, or weaken our arm against our arch enemy, the Republican party, in the November elections."

Mr. Bell called Mr. W. C. Maxwell to the chair and he was given a hearty round of applause.

Mr. Maxwell thanked the convention for the honor. He said he would not make a speech, as the people had heard a plenty of speeches.

"I believe you said by your verdict the other day that silence is at a premium in Mecklenburg." (Laughter).

Mr. Maxwell briefly referred to the prosperity of the county and the state, its good schools, its economical administration of law. In North Carolina last year the record was not stained by a single lynching.

Mr. F. M. Shannonhouse was elected temporary secretary.

The only precincts not represented were Morning Star, No. 2; Mallard Creek, No. 2; Paw Creek, No. 2, and Dewese, boxes one and two. Mr. A. B. Justice said he heard that the Dewese delegates were coming down on the train.

Permanent Organization.

Upon motion of Mr. D. P. Hutchison the temporary organization was made permanent.

Upon motion of Mr. E. Keesler the vote of the county, as returned, was canvassed and ratified. The News has already published the names of the winners for the various offices.

There was a laugh when the three votes for the chairman of the convention were read out for lieutenant governor. Mr. Maxwell said jocularly that he was sure that his full strength nad been polled.

A State Primary Law.

Mr. Thos. W. Alexander introduced the following resolution:

"Resolved, By the Democrats of Mecklenburg county in convention assembled, that the delegates elected to the state Democratic convention, to be held in Charlotte on June 24th, be and are hereby instructed to vote for and use all honorable means to secure a state primary for the election of state officers, whereby all of the counties will hold their primaries for state offices simultaneously under such rules and regulations as the state Democratic executive committee may prescribe, and at such date as they may determine.

"Second, That they are further instructed to secure from the state convention a direction to the Democratic members of the legislature to enact a primary law to carry said state primary into effect, the said law to be drafted under the auspices of the state Democratic executive committee."

Mr. Alexander spoke in favor of his resolution. He said we had in Mecklenburg a magnificent system of county primaries. We have heard of shut out conventions being held in other places in the state. It would work out for the good of the party and would help in the fight against the arch en-

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