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M'NAMARA BOYS HAVE CONFESSED

ACCUSED MEN ENTER PLEA OF
GUILTY AND SAVED THEM-
SELVES FROM DEATH.

LABOR LEADERS SHOCKED

Confession Clears Up Tragedy of the
Explosion Which Wrecked Los
Angeles Times Building.

Los Angeles, Cal.—James B. McNamara pleaded guilty to murder in the first degree in Judge Walter Bordwell's court. His brother John J. McNamara, secretary of the International Iron Workers, entered a plea of guilty to having dynamited the Llewellyn Iron Works in Los Angeles on Christmas day, 1910.

James B. McNamara's confession clears up absolutely the tragedy of the explosion and fire which at 1:07 o'clock on the morning of October 1, 1910, wrecked the plant of the Los Angeles Times at First and Broadway and caused the death of twenty-one persons. For nineteen of these deaths the McNamara brothers were indicted and J. B. McNamara was on trial specifically for the murder of Charles J. Haggarty, a machinist, a machinist, whose body was found nearer than that of any other to the spot where the dynamite was supposed to have been placed.

It is expected District Attorney John B. Fredericks will ask for life imprisonment for James B. McNamara, the confessed murderer, and probably fourteen years for his brother. The men's lives are considered saved.

The great contention that the Los Angeles Times was not dynamited is dead beyond resurrection. As the two brothers sat together in the county jail, refusing to see any one or make any statement, an interest second only to the occurrence itself hung about the question with reference to James B. McNamara. "Why did he confess?"

To this opposing counsel gave the same answer. "He confessed because he was guilty and that's all there is to it," declared District Attorney Fredericks.

"He was counseled to confess because that was the best thing he could do, in the opinion of counsel," said Attorney Clarence S. Darrow, chief of counsel. "I will say now that there was no other reason or motive in it. I've studied this case for months. It presented a stone wall."

New York.—"I am astounded, I am astounded. My credulity has been imposed upon. It is a bolt out of a clear sky."

The exclamations were those of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, when advised of the pleas of guilty in the McNamara cases.

"We have discouraged acts like these. We are patriotic and peace-loving men and we only have a wish to call out the best elements in human nature. Those two men must have been crazy. It is an act that I condemn with all the force that is in me."

Los Angeles, Cal.—Ortic E. McManigal, who confessed to have actually blown up the Llewellyn Iron Works one of protracted tension. Sensation of John J. McNamara, will be brought to trial, but it is expected the state will recommend a light sentence, because he turned state's evidence.

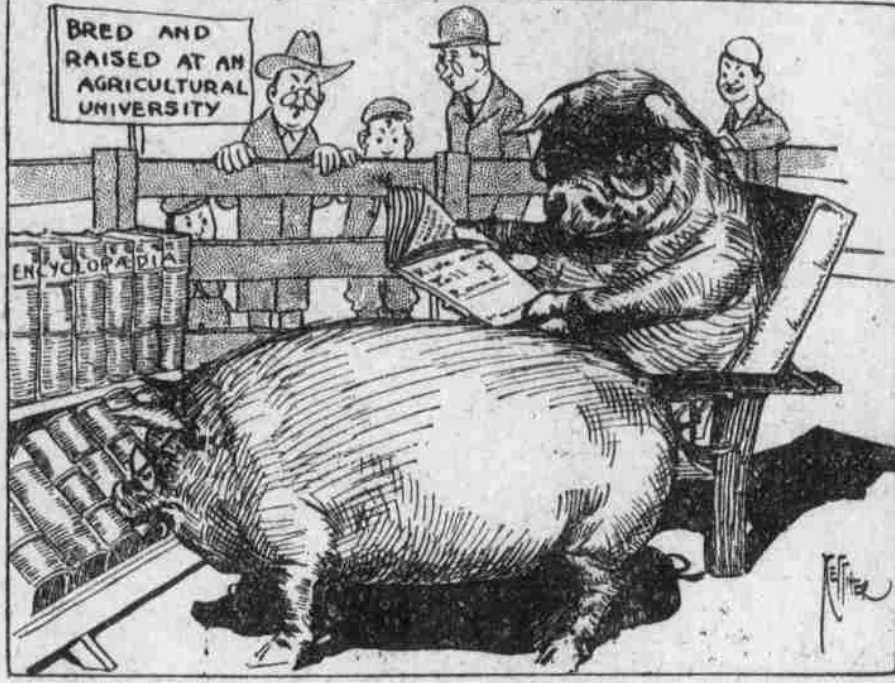
Bribery charges against Bert H. Franklin, a detective employed by the McNamara defense, probably will be dropped now as irrelevant to the main issue.

The scene in the court room was one of protracted tension. Sensation followed sensation with such rapidity that the gaping crowd hardly realized what happened in those few minutes of formal procedure.

In less than twenty minutes the big case was disposed of, but for hours previously there had been a feeling that something startling would develop, and so closely guarded was the information that spectators were prepared for almost anything except the thing presented.

Nanking Falls to Insurgents.
Nanking—Nanking has fallen. The entire city is occupied by the insurgents. For the last two weeks General Feng defied all efforts of the revolutionaries to take the city. The circumference of the walled city is 23 miles. The wall at various places is 90 feet high, built of solid masonry and 20 feet thick. The four main gates are at the principal points of the compass. The gates were opened as a result of treachery within the city.

SOME HIGH BRED STOCK



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The International Live Stock Show Opens in Chicago.

ROOSEVELT IS ACCUSED

WHARTON BARKER, PHILADELPHIA BANKER, CHARGES MR. ROOSEVELT MADE TRADE.

WANTED POLITICAL SUPPORT

Barker Alleges Roosevelt, in Return for Support, Promised Legislation They Wanted.

Washington.—Wharton Barker, a retired banker of Philadelphia, sprang a sensation on the senate committee on interstate commerce, when he alleged that a New York financier told him in 1904 that the financial interests would support Theodore Roosevelt for president, because Roosevelt had "made a bargain" with them on the railroad question.

Mr. Barker's statement came in the midst of a vigorous attack on the "money trust."

Mr. Barker also declared that the Aldrich currency plan was the handiwork not of former Senator Aldrich, but of a Mr. Warburton of the banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of New York, and that a fund of \$1,000,000 had been started to insure its adoption.

"Three or four weeks before the election in 1904," said Mr. Barker, "I was walking down Broadway when I met one of the most distinguished money kings in New York, a man now dead. He said to me: 'We are going to elect Roosevelt.' I expressed surprise and asked if he had given up the support of Parker. He said yes, that they had sacrificed Roosevelt, so he had made a bargain with them."

Mr. Barker said the financial trust, whom he declined to name, told him that Roosevelt had "made a bargain" on the railroad question.

The railroad man added, said Mr. Barker, that under the latter authority, it would be possible to add from \$300,000,000 to \$400,000,000 to the total freight charges paid by the American public.

Negro Turned White.
Chillicothe, Mo.—The case of a negro who turned white is to be reported to the National Medical Society with the hope that something may be learned of the peculiar skin disease which baffled physicians for several years. The negro, who is dead here, was Dudley Payne, coal black and typically African in feature. The change came gradually. At the time of his death Payne's face and the upper part of his body were white as those of any Caucasian.

SOUTH WINS CORN PRIZE

W. H. Dorin of Clover, Va., Awarded Silver Cup for Best 30 Ears of Corn Grown in the U. S.

New York.—For growing the best 30 ears of corn exhibited from any portion of the United States, W. H. Dorin of Clover, Va., was awarded the \$1,000 silver cup offered by the International Harvester company at the American Land and Irrigation exposition at Madison Square Garden, Mr. Dorin winning over exhibitors from every section of the country, among them L. D. Clore, the famous Indiana corn king, hitherto undefeated, in a contest of this nature. Mr. Dorin's corn was on exhibition at the Southern railway's booth and attracted great attention. Farmers from all sections showed extraordinary interest in the award since it is the first time such a prize has been won by a Southern corn grower.

Mr. Dorin ploughed his land ten inches and subsoiled twelve inches more. He used 200 pounds of phosphate, his only fertilizer outside of clover turned under. His seed was carefully selected from an acre on which he made a splendid yield in 1910 and the corn which took the prize was from an acre cultivated under the methods of the United States farm demonstration bureau, the yield from this acre being 137 bushels. The soil is the ordinary type of southern Virginia, a gray, sandy loam about eight inches deep, with a good clay subsoil.

Mr. Dorin's success shows what can be accomplished on southern land, and is the more remarkable since he is a former resident of a Michigan city and knew practically nothing about farming until six years ago, when he purchased 561 acres in Halifax county, Virginia, on the Southern railway's Richmond and Danville line, paying eight dollars per acre. The award of this prize to Mr. Dorin will prove a valuable advertisement for the Southeast as a corn-growing land. It was with the purpose of showing the agricultural possibilities of the Southeast that the Southern railway company placed an extensive exhibit at this exposition and did everything possible to encourage individual exhibits on the part of the farmers throughout the territory served by its lines.

Confederate Monuments Plans.

Memphis, Tenn.—Two hundred thousand dollars will be raised by the United Sons of Confederate Veterans to erect monuments to the memory of Southern soldiers and to the memory of Southern women who were active in the cause of the South during the Civil war. Plans to secure money were discussed by the executive council of the organization. A majority of the members appeared to favor the inauguration of a campaign asking voluntary contributions.

Men, Drugged and Shanghaied.
Washington.—Determined to end the practice of "shanghaiing" men and the enforcement of a system which virtually amounts to peonage aboard vessels, especially on the "oyster fleet" in Chesapeake bay, Secretary Hazel has ordered a fast boat to go after the offenders.

Cotton Growers Asked to Meet.

Austin, Texas.—Gov. C. B. Colquitt of Texas, chairman of the recent cotton conference, which met in New Orleans, Louisiana, to devise means for upholding the price of cotton, has suggested that cotton farmers throughout the South meet in county mass meetings December 16 to perfect plans looking to the reduction of acreage planted in cotton in 1912. Governor Colquitt has asked the governors of all cotton-growing states to arrange at once for the meetings.

PUTS OUT OFFICE BOARD OF HEALTH

JUDGE PEEBLES DECIDES THAT
ACTS CREATING THE ARE UN-
CONSTITUTIONAL.

IS NOT THE SUPERINTENDENT

Upholds Position Taken By Board of
County Commissioners of Wake and
Decides That Dr. R. S. Stevens is
County Superintendent of Health.

Raleigh.—In a decision that is far-reaching and which, if upheld by the Supreme Court of North Carolina, will throw out of office every Superintendent of Health and County Board of Health, Judge R. B. Peebles has decided that Dr. J. L. McCullers is not the County Superintendent of Health of Wake county, and that section in one chapter sixty-two of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911 is unconstitutional and void.

The written judgment of Judge Peebles reached the city and is dated December first. It is not a long one, but it is one that is certain to be discussed, not alone in Wake county, but in every county in the state as to section 9 of chapter 61 of the Acts of 1911, which provides for the membership of the County Board of Health, declared by Judge Peebles to be in violation of the provision of the constitution that no man shall hold two offices at the same time. Section 9, chapter 2 provides that the County Board of Health shall be composed of the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, the mayor of the county town, and in county towns where there is no mayor the clerk of the Superior Court and the County Superintendent of Schools, with two physicians of the county, elected by them, this Board of Health to elect a County Superintendent of Health, all the expenditures to be approved by the Board of County Commissioners before they are paid. It is this that Judge Peebles decides is unconstitutional and void as it gives two offices to one man at the same time, which is prohibited by section 7, article 14, of the Constitution of North Carolina, the decision being that there is no legal County Board of Health.

In his decision Judge Peebles holds also that Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the State Board of Health, has no authority to appoint Dr. McCullers as Superintendent of Health as the contingency provided for in the Act creating a Board of Health did not arise.

The Land Show Bears Fruit.

Since the recent land show in Madison Square Garden, New York, in which the Norfolk Southern and the Southern Railway companies gave North Carolina especially fine representation as to possibilities of agricultural development in this state, the State Department of Agriculture has received communications from a number of men and corporations desirous of undertaking to develop large tracts of North Carolina lands through the plan of purchasing the tracts and cutting up into small farms and including home-seekers to locate either through purchase or as tenants with ultimate purchase in view. The indications are that a number of such movements will be carried through.

North Carolina Leads Again.

North Carolina wins grand sweepstakes for best exhibit at National Horticultural Congress, first also on collection of nuts, first on sub-tropical fruits, first on cashed and preserved products, first on five boxes of commercially packed fruit and first and second on delicious apples. Thus reads a telegram received by Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham from State Horticulturist William N. Nutt, who is attending the National Horticultural Congress, now in session at St. Joseph, Missouri. This is just a following up of the splendid record North Carolina made at the congress last year, the first in which the state had been represented.

Left For The Live Stock Show.

Prof. J. S. McNeil and R. S. Curtis, with a large party from the senior class of the A. and M. College, left for Chicago to attend the International Live Stock Show, which is the largest stock show of its kind in the world. The North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts and the Texas Agricultural College are the only Southern schools that send a delegation to this show. The party from this state will stop over at Columbus, Ohio, to visit the Hartman stock farm.

NORTH STATE'S POPULATION

The Statistics Showing the Population
According to Color as Shown by
Returns of the Census.

Raleigh.—A special from Washington states that a preliminary statement of the white and negro population of North Carolina, by counties and principal cities, as shown by the returns of the thirteenth decennial census, taken as of April 15, 1910, was issued by Director Durrand of the bureau of census, department of commerce and labor. The statistics were prepared under the direction of William C. Hunt, chief statistician for population in the census bureau and are subject to later revision.

The total population of North Carolina in 1910 was subdivided as to color as follows: White, 1,500,513; negro, 697,843; all other persons, (Indians, Chinese and Japanese) 7,931. The equivalent figures for 1900 were: White, 1,263,603; negro, 624,469; all others, 5,738. For 1890 they were: White, 1,055,382; negro, 561,018; all others, 1,549.

The negro population constituted 31.6 per cent. of the total population of the state in 1910, as against 33 per cent. in 1900 and 34.7 per cent. in 1890.

There has been an increase since 1900 in the negro population of 73,374, or 11.7 per cent., as compared with an increase during the preceding decade of 63,451, or 11.3 per cent. The white population shows an increase during the past decade of 236,910, or 18.7 per cent., as against 208,221, or 19.7 per cent. during the preceding decade.

Charlotte city had a population in 1910 of 34,014, comprising 22,259 whites, 11,752 negroes, and 3 others. The equivalent figures for 1900 were: White, 10,938; negro, 7,151; all other, 2. For 1890 they were: White, 6,417; negro, 5,134; all others, 6.

The white and negro population of Charlotte constituted 65.4 and 34.6 per cent., respectively, of the total in 1910, as against 60.5 and 39.5 per cent. in 1900, and 55.5 and 44.4 in 1890. The white population more than doubled itself during the decade 1900-1910, the increase being 11,321, or 103.5 per cent., as compared with 4,521, or 70.5 per cent. for the preceding decade. The negro population increased at a higher rate than during the preceding decade, but at a much lower rate than that for the white element. The increase in the negro population was 4,601 or 64.3 per cent. from 1900 to 1910, as compared with 2,017 or 39.2 per cent. from 1890 to 1900.

North Carolina New Enterprises.

Articles of incorporation were allowed in the office of the secretary of state as follows: For the Southern Harvester Company, of Raleigh, as manufacturers of the Goodwin Cotton Harvester, a machine for picking cotton. The incorporators are: Messrs. B. R. Jolly, M. Ashby-Lambert, A. W. Goodwin, E. H. Goodwin and C. N. Goodwin. The authorized capital stock is \$200,000, and the company begins business with \$5,000 paid in. The Bank of Haw River, of Haw River, Alamance county; commercial and savings bank business authorized capital, \$50,000, with \$10,000 paid in by J. W. McPherson, S. A. West, Eugene McLarty, J. G. Montgomery and W. M. Myrick, Haw River, and Chas. A. Scott, Chas. D. Johnston, Walter E. Walker and A. K. Hardy, of Graham.

Medical Society Holds Meeting.

A hundred or more physicians from the counties of Anson, Union, Stanly, Mecklenburg, Cabarrus, Lincoln, Rutherford, Cleveland and Gaston gathered in Gastonia for the annual meeting of the Seventh District Medical Society. Dr. J. P. Munroe, president of the North Carolina Medical College, is president of the society and presided over its sessions. Dr. T. C. Quickle, of Gastonia, chairman of the local committee on arrangements called the society to order and Dr. A. C. Jones of the local bar delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the town and Dr. D. A. Garrison on behalf of the Gaston County Medical Society. The response was made by one of the visiting physicians.

Raleigh.—At the state prison Taylor Love, colored, gave up his life for the murder of Fred Morehead in Haywood county.

Interest in Bond Election.

The sentiment in favor of voting bonds for the construction of the Randolph & Cumberland Railroad increases in Randleman and community as the election approaches. The registration has thus far been slight but it is thought the majority of the voters will register. Railroad meetings are being held among the voters all along the proposed line in this county to arouse interest. The latest development point to a branch line to Farmer, a small village in the south west part of Randolph county.

BROOKS PRESIDENT

THE TEACHERS ASSEMBLY HAS
ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEET-
ING AT RALEIGH.

HARMONY REIGNED SUPREME

All of the Matters That Were Calcu-
lated to Stir Discussion Were Refer-
red to Committees For Report Next
Year—Many Teachers Present.

Raleigh.—The North Carolina Teachers' Assembly came to a close a few days ago, the general business session being held at that time. The report of the nomination committee, as made by Superintendent W. D. Carmichael of Durham, was adopted. Dr. E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College, was named as president, Superintendent A. C. Reynolds, Buncombe county schools, vice president; R. D. W. Connor, secretary and treasurer. President F. P. Hobgood of Oxford and M. C. S. Noble and Miss Edith Royater were elected members of the executive committee.

The report of resolutions committee was read by Prof. J. A. Matheson of the State Normal College. Resolutions of thanks to various people who aided in making the assembly successful were adopted. Resolutions were adopted, asking Congress to make a large appropriation for the extension of a national educational bureau. The national peace movement was endorsed.

Dr. Joyner stated that at the last meeting of the assembly it was decided to erect a statue to Dr. McIver, either at Greensboro or Raleigh. Money is now in hand for this purpose and as there was some doubt about where the monument should be placed it was suggested that one be placed both at Raleigh and Greensboro, it being stated that it would require only an additional eleven hundred dollars for this purpose. The assembly voted to raise this sum.

Mrs. Calvin H. Wiley, widow of first State Superintendent, was presented to the assembly. Secretary Connor stated that a bust of Mr. Wiley secured by penny contributions of school children, was fast on the road to completion and would be ready to be placed in the new executive building.

Last Month's List of Deaths.

Raleigh.—During the last month there have been sixty-one deaths in the city of Raleigh. Of the number fourteen were over seventy years of age and four under five years of age. Twelve of this number were from the state hospital, seven from St. Agnes, six from Rex Hospital, five from the Soldiers' Home, state prison one, (electrocution), making a total of thirty-one from the institutions and five stillborn, leaving only twenty-five deaths for the city. Seven of these deaths were from contagious diseases, six from tuberculosis and one from typhoid fever. Contagious diseases were reported during the month of diphtheria nine, scarlet fever two, typhoid fever one. The above facts were given by Mr. W. T. Davis, clerk of the City Board of Health.

A Very Mysterious Death.

Beaufort.—A man's body was found face down in the water near the western shore of North river, about three miles from Beaufort. The man had evidently taken off his outer clothes, as they were piled on the bank, and waded into the river clad in underwear, hose and shoes and fallen on his face in the shallow water. The clothes contained only a watch, pocket drinking cup and 20 cents in silver.

Cocaine Seller Goes To Roads.

High Point.—Within the last few days Chief Ridge and his right assistants have been rounding up some of the parties who make a business of selling cocaine to the negroes. In the municipal court, Judge Gold sentenced Robert McGee to 9 months on the county roads for this offense. There were two charges against him and he was convicted on both counts.

Convention Has Been Postponed.

Charlotte.—The meeting of the Mecklenburg Live Stock Association, which was to have convened in the assembly hall of the Selwyn hotel a few days ago was postponed until January 6. At the coming meeting, Mr. F. L. Wood, who was to have delivered the address, will be present and will give the members of the local live stock association the benefit of long experience in this line of work. Mr. Wood is head of the live stock department of the Southern Railway, with headquarters in Atlanta.