

MONITOR CRIPPLED BY TORPEDO TEST

Injuries to the Florida Greater Than First Reported.

DAMAGE EXCEEDED HAVOC OF SHELLS

Vessel Shudders and Reels Under Awful Blow, While Pumps Prevent Sinking.

NORFOLK, Va., June 13.—Limping slowly along, partly under her own steam, but with the aid of three big sea-going tugs, the monitor Florida put in at the Norfolk navy yard at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon badly crippled, but not out of commission.

Secretaries Taft and Metcalf and Postmaster General Meyer spent the afternoon in a sightseeing tour about the Norfolk yard, and as soon as the water was pumped from the Florida and from the dry dock they inspected the vessel and then left for Washington aboard the Mayflower.

The Florida Badly Crippled.

The injury done the Florida was much more serious than the first reports indicated.

When Secretaries Taft and Metcalf and the party of naval experts made their examination of the effect of the explosion of 200 pounds of gun cotton against the Florida's water-tight bulkhead they found her in a rather bad plight, the dynamo room and inner coal compartments being flooded.

Bulkhead Stands Test. Notwithstanding the fact that the torpedo seriously crippled the monitor, the experts believe the test thoroughly proved the efficiency of the new type of bulkhead as a means of defense against such attacks as that made by the Whitehead torpedo.

Whether today's test will result in the adoption of the bulkhead plan of construction was not indicated by any of those who witnessed the experiment. All who witnessed the tests were enthusiastic over the results obtained.

Ship Shuddered Under Blow.

In the words of Commander William Strother Smith, who was on board the Florida, "It seemed as though she was struck a terrible blow and lifted upward and over. The shock to us standing in the after deck house, was terrific. It seemed as though we were standing alongside a twelve-inch gun. After the first impact, the boat shuddered from stem to stern in a manner that imparted for a moment that petrifying sickening feeling that she had been struck a vital blow and all was over.

So great was the shock that the Florida's searchlight smashed. This light is mounted on her mast just above the turret, but the twelve-inch shell

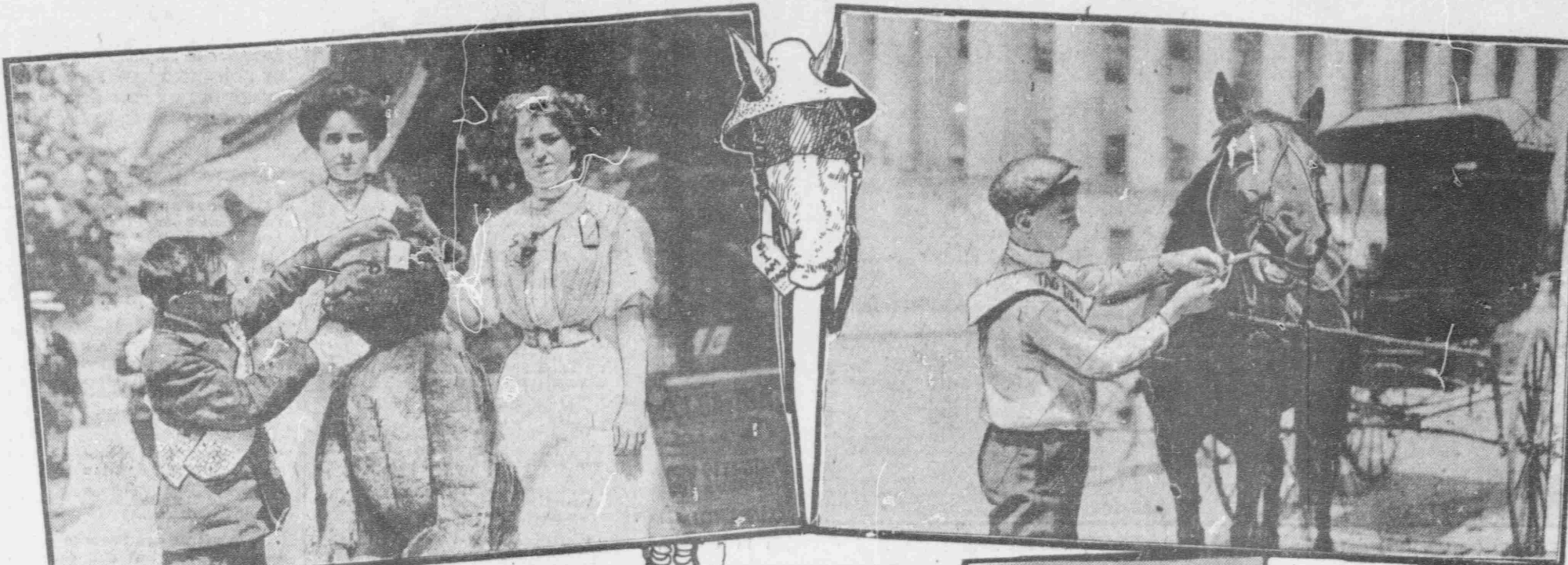
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James J. Hill Tagged \$5 Worth; Sweet Young Girl Turned Trick

James J. Hill, the greatest railroad man of America, who has two transcontinental railroad lines in his grasp, and who is one of the foremost figures in the commercial world, was one of the "tag day" contributors. Mr. Hill gave up his money liberally and with good grace. It cost him a nice, clean, crisp \$5 bill, but he never murmured. In fact, he said he was more than willing under the circumstances.

Mr. Hill was standing on the front steps of the Arlington Hotel talking to a newspaper man. A dazzling young woman, all in white, dashed up to him. She didn't know Mr. Hill from Adam, but she said he was more than willing under the circumstances.

AROUND WASHINGTON WITH ENTHUSIASTIC TAG DAY WORKERS



EIGHT ARE SLAIN BY CRAZED MOTHER

Gives Children Night of Pleasure Before She Kills Them.

CADILLAC, Mich., June 13.—Cadillac is aglazed with horror over the crime of Mrs. Daniel Cooper, who, with pistol and chloroform, killed her husband and six children and then herself, after having spent their last evening on earth in festivities.

In every instance the woman, who was once committed to an insane asylum, shot her victims through the head. The dead are: Daniel Cooper, forty-eight; Mrs. Cooper, forty-five; Fred Cooper, eight; Harry, fourteen; Inez, eleven; Samuel, ten; Georgiana, five; Florence, one and a half.

The bodies were strewn all over the house when Mr. Cooper's mother and other neighbors entered the house this morning. The only one alive of the whole family was the son, Fred, who died later at Mercy Hospital, unable to breathe because of the tragedy than to gasp out, "Mother did it."

Mrs. Cooper's body lay across that of her baby girl, across a bed, and beside her, with every chamber empty, was the revolver with which she had slain her family.

It is believed that the crazed mother first chloroformed the members of her household before she slew them with the pistol, for in one of the rooms was found a four-ounce bottle which had contained the drug.

That the woman had cherished her deadly design for some time was indicated by her actions the night before the crime. Then she took all her children to a theater, where a vaudeville show was in progress. She induced the girl selling tickets to admit the whole family for half a dollar, and, to the warning that the concession should not be accepted as a precedent, said: "You never will need to let us in again because none of us ever will come here after this."

KERMIT ROOSEVELT GRADUATE AT GROTON

GROTON, Mass., June 13.—With twenty-one other sons of the most prominent families in the country, Kermit, the second son of President Roosevelt, was graduated today from Groton School. None of his family is here to attend the exercises, but Kermit does not suffer from lack of attention. The President's son stood well up in his class. The annual address was delivered by President Hadley of Yale.



TAG DAY WORKERS CROSS \$5,000; SCHEME AROUSES WHOLE CITY

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Schools, Ladies, Business men, Sales at headquarters, Total, Estimated total individual contributions, Grand total.

School Children Earned Over Half of the Receipts. Whether at Home or on Street Few Escape Persistent Venders.

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BOY DIES IN CANAL; HEROIC RESCUE TRIED

Child Knocked Into Water by Tow Line—Physicians Plunge After Him.

The heroic efforts of two men failed to save Raymond Hunt, six years old, from drowning yesterday afternoon in the canal near Thirty-first street. The lad became entangled in the tow line of a canal boat No. 29, in charge of Captain Pong, and was knocked from the tow-path into the water.

The two physicians, who happened to be passing at the time, sprang into the water without waiting to remove their clothing. Time after time they dived, blindly groping with their hands for the lad's body.

Finally, after an interval of ten minutes, the dead body was brought to the surface. The boy was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hunt, of 3023 M street northwest.

CHINESE DYNAMITE DETECTIVE CHIEF

HONOLULU, June 13.—Dynamite was used here today in an attempt to assassinate Chief of Detectives Taylor and his wife. A bomb was exploded under their bedroom window and though a part of the house was shattered neither was hurt. Chinese gamblers who have often threatened Taylor's life are suspected.

POWERS SET FREE; HAILED AS HERO

Women Hold Reception for Him and Gala Time Is Planned in Home Town.

LEXINGTON, Ky., June 13.—Caleb Powers, for the first time since he was arrested here, eight years four months and three days ago, passed through this city tonight a free man, on his way to Barboursville, Knox county, his former home.

Powers will remain with his mother at their home until he recovers his health, and will then begin the practice of law there. He says he is out of politics, but nevertheless he will be made a candidate for Congress to succeed D. C. Edwards, from the Eleventh district.

From the time that Powers was released this morning until he passed through here tonight he received the congratulations of thousands. The society women of Georgetown, where he has long been in jail, held a reception for him this afternoon, while hundreds visited his room in the Hotel Lancaster.

Gala Day for Home Town. Thousands of congratulatory messages have come from all over the country to Powers from people of every political faith. A touching message came from former Governor W. S. Taylor, who is in exile in Indianapolis, and who will probably be tried for the Goebel murder, provided he can be induced by the promise of a fair trial to return to Kentucky.

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GLIDES TO DEATH IN VIEW OF 5,000

Joseph Jakob, Professional Diver, Whirls Through Space, Falling on Stomach.

BERGEN BEACH, L. I., June 13.—Five thousand persons saw Joseph Jakob, aged twenty-eight, a professional diver, killed here today in his "Slide for Life."

Jakob, in previous seasons, had leaped from the top of a 100-foot pole to the waters of Jamaica Bay. Today he started on a glide on a wire from the top of this pole to a spile in the water. Thirty feet from the pole the strap holding him to the wire broke.

His whirling body shot toward the water where he struck on his stomach. Jakob was alive, but unconscious, when taken from the water and died three hours afterward.

VETERAN KILLS MAN TO PROTECT WOMAN

AGED CONFEDERATE SHELTERS FUGITIVE AND SHOTS PURSUER WHO ATTACKS HOME WITH AX.

NORFOLK, Va., June 13.—Protecting Mrs. Jann's Hewitt from attack, W. C. Ross, an aged Confederate veteran, shot and killed Harry Harman early today. Later he was charged with the killing by a coroner's jury, which coupled with its verdict the statement that the fatal wound was inflicted by Ross in the protection of his home.

BRYAN IS CERTAIN, SAYS HIS BUREAU

With 697 Votes, He Will Be Nominated on First Ballot.

LINCOLN, Neb., June 13.—It is all over at Denver but the shouting. William J. Bryan is assured of the Democratic nomination. This is the pronouncement of the Nebraska publicity bureau, maintained by the friends of Bryan in his home State.

The Bryan bureau proclaims that 630 delegates already are instructed for the Nebraska, and that sixty-seven others in States not bound by the unit rule have declared their personal preferences for him and will give Bryan their votes.

This gives Bryan 697 votes—twenty-five more than will be required to nominate on the first ballot under the two-thirds rule.

The States, with Porto Rico in addition, which have yet to hold their conventions, are Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina, Vermont, Georgia, Maine, Mississippi, Montana and Colorado.

The Bryan bureau maintains that the Nebraska will get a large majority of the 146 votes of these States.

A table on the delegate situation prepared by the Bryan bureau is as follows: Instructed for Bryan, 635 votes; no unit rule favoring Bryan, 67; choice unexpressed, 35; instructed for Gray, 6; instructed for Johnson, 2; uninstructed unit rule, 102.

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KAISER ESCAPED BOMB IN VIENNA

VIENNA, June 13.—A Prague newspaper reports that a plot to take the life of the Kaiser was frustrated at Vienna during his recent jubilee visit to the Emperor Francis Joseph.

REPUBLICANS READY FOR CRUCIAL TEST

With All Signs Pointing to Taft, Fickie Fancy Is Feared.

ROOSEVELT'S POWER IS STRONGLY FELT

Real Fight for Choice Begins Tuesday—Dolliver Still a Favorite for Second Place.

By J. C. WELLIVER. CHICAGO, June 13.—With the clearing out of the convention lobbies close to the midnight hour tonight, the first period of the national convention's activity ended. Tomorrow the great gathering will enter upon its second stage.

Thus far the business has been in the hands of the managing politicians; in its second phase, the gathering will be in charge of those sent from the people to name the party's Presidential choice. In the intermediate period of relaxation which the Sabbath will afford there will be opportunity to consider whether in the transfer of control from managers to delegates any significant tendencies will be brought about.

The history of national conventions has proved them highly unmanageable aggregations. Time and time again the best-laid plans have gone awry almost from the moment when the reins of power were turned over to the convention itself.

But it is an interesting and possibly illuminating commentary that the highly organized one-man convention has commonly performed according to program. Marcus A. Hanna, who by his genius for organization, brought the Republican party to its present perfection of almost military responsiveness to authority, was not in the habit of having his conventions betray his arrangements.

And a greater man than he wields the power, a thousand miles distant from this gathering, Theodore Roosevelt has strengthened and perfected the organization which Hanna made, and has inspired a degree of personal loyalty and devotion among the rank and file such as no political captain in recent time has been able to secure.

This is Theodore Roosevelt's convention to nominate his candidate; to perfect his perpetuate his organization; to write down his policies as the policies of the party. It would be little less than a miracle of politics if the convention should do aught else than to carry out the purposes of its acknowledged master.

Facing the Crisis. Nevertheless, however small may be the possibility of a hitch incident to transferring control from the preliminary managers to the delegates, the moment is at hand when that transfer must be made, and there will be acute interest until the crisis shall have passed.

"Oh, for a real, magnetic, compelling, dramatic figure of the first national magnitude, who could come here at the psychic moment and vocalize in moving measures the real sentiment which seems destined never to be voiced, and therefore never to be voted!"

Such was the plaint of a leader among the "Allies," as he dejectedly admitted that the convention seemed certain to continue for another week observing its orders from Washington as literally as it has done during the past week.

A "crown of thorns and cross of gold" speech at the right moment might easily play hob with arrangements; and as one studies thoroughly the psychology of the gathering at this hour, he is forced to recognize the astuteness of those wise elders, who, being willing to have done with Theodore Roosevelt, declined to give Beveridge the opportunity to play on the enthusiasm, the emotions, and the real sentiment of the thousand delegates.

"Allies" Will Fight. Nobody questions now that the "Allies" intend to go the entire road. They are organizing to fight for control of the organizing committee and to carry that fight from the committee to the convention. Every "favorite son" is going to stay for all the votes he can get, and the "steam roller" will have to be kept in commission to the very end of the ballot on which the nomination is made.

There will be plenty of good fighting before the week's end. The Administration platform will be the subject of a long and determined contest in the resolutions committee, and there is reason for more than a suspicion that the Administration may be compelled to submit to unwelcome modifications of some of its pet declarations.

There probably will be a contest over the committee's chairmanship, as indeed there will for every other chairmanship. Frank Hitchcock, the Taft manager, this afternoon made the significant statement that not a single chairmanship of a convention committee had yet been determined. Mr. Hitchcock went into no details, and provided no explanatory appendix with this remark. But the casual observation was circulated by opponents of Senator Hopkins, as possibly indicating that the time may be approaching when the Hopkins idea, having served its purpose of keeping the "stand patters" anesthetized, Hopkins may be due to walk the plank and give place to somebody better representative of progressive ideals.

Certainly it is that many vital features of the platform construction are yet to be determined. In the remarkable nation-wide fluidity of opinion and laxity of party loyalty now prevalent, it is recognized that a determining minority