

PLANNED MANY EXPLOSIONS

Wholesale Destruction of Property Was Dynamiters' Program.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 25.—Witnesses at the dynamite conspiracy trial testified today concerning wholesale explosions, which the McNamara were alleged to have contemplated but which were prevented by the arrest of the dynamiters at Detroit and Indianapolis in April, 1911. The explosions contemplated as told by witnesses were:

To blow up the locks of the Panama canal.

To blow up a building in Pittsburg, occupied by officials of iron and steel contractors who employed non-union men, and also to blow up offices in other eastern cities.

To blow up the aqueduct and water works at Los Angeles.

To blow up a sleeping car to get rid of a stenographer formerly employed by the iron workers' union because she knew too much.

"I'll blow the whole town off the map; the people will think there has been another earthquake similar to San Francisco," said J. B. McNamara, discussing the campaign he expected to make at Los Angeles, according to Ortle E. McManigal.

An assertion by McManigal that he was urged to go to Panama by J. J. McNamara as a dynamiter previously had been referred to by District Attorney Miller as one of the revelations to be made at the trial.

Boosts Norris For Secretary.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Western aspirants for the office of secretary of the interior are springing up in numbers. President Wilson will be strongly urged by those opposed to the conservation policies advocated by Gifford Pinchot and other extremists to name a man from the far west who is in sympathy with the exploitation and development of coal and forest resources of the Rocky mountains and Pacific coast country.

Senator Myers of Montana said today that Montana democrats are united in supporting Governor Norris for secretary of the interior; that he is a sane, sensible conservationist and does not believe in locking up the nation's resources for all time to come.

Congress Will Soon Meet.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Congress will reassemble a week from today for the last short session of republican control in national legislation. While the tariff is not scheduled for consideration this winter, the three months of short session will be crowded by legislative work. In addition to the appropriation bills, congress will be forced to dispose of a quantity of general matters left at adjournment in August.

Death of Senator Rayner.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Senator Iador Rayner of Maryland, one of the leading democratic members of the United States senate, and a man whose name was offered to the Baltimore convention by William J. Bryan as a suitable candidate for the presidential nomination, died here early today at the close of a long illness, resulting from continued attacks of neuritis.

Senator Rayner was one of the striking figures in the senate. He had been a member of that body for nearly eight years and was one of its strong debaters and a recognized authority on matters of constitutional law.

Chickens Are Not Cattle.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—The Interstate Commission has decided that chickens are not cattle. Therefore, Charles Ream of Richmond Va., who tried to get transportation to Los Angeles for his son as caretaker of a dozen chickens, loaded in a car with his household goods, lost his case. The Southern Pacific exacted first class fare.

The tariffs provide free transportation for the caretakers of horses, cattle and mules shipped with emigrant movables. Ream contended that if chickens are not cattle there is a discrimination against chickens, and discrimination is unlawful. The commission decided against him, but handed him a prize by deciding that his son should have been charged the limited fare to Los Angeles, \$72.95 instead of \$83.

Fatal Auto Accident.

St. Paul, Nov. 14.—S. B. Flechner, purchasing agent, and Howard James, director of purchases of the Great Northern railway, were killed instantly when their automobile turned over on a grade about eight miles north of here late today. Both were pinned under the machine and were dead when it was removed. The slippery condi-

tion of the road is said to have caused the automobile to overturn.

In attempting to pass another automobile, the machine occupied by Flechner and James slewed to one side, and the roadway being too soft, the machine turned over.

Disastrous Prairie Fires.

NORFOLK, Neb., Nov. 23.—Reports from many points in southern South Dakota and northern Nebraska tell of the most disastrous prairie fires ever known. One fire, starting in the Pine Ridge Indian reservation, swept through the Rosebud agency and south into Nebraska, the town of Crookston being in danger for a time. This fire ran over 100 miles. Another fire went into Tripp county, South Dakota, and the town of Winner was in peril. Stationmen fought fire two days and nights. Several persons narrowly escaped with their lives.

The Harvester Monopoly.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—Important evidence that 86 per cent of the binders and headers bought in the United States in a single year were sold by the International Harvester company and contracts calculated to indicate efforts by company officials to create for it a monopoly were introduced by the government in the hearing of the dissolution suit here today. From a letter to general agents of the company headed "exclusive contracts," Attorney Grosvenor for the government read:

"We believe that in the near future this great company will do practically all the harvester business in the world, for the company is organized wisely and is managed on broad-minded, unselfish lines."

WAR CLOUDS GATHER.

Balkan Trouble May Involve Other European Powers.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—Interest in the war situation shifted today from the belligerents, whose delegates are preparing to meet with an apparent sincere desire to work out the terms for a truce to the great neighboring powers—Austria and Russia. These rivals are strengthening their border forces at an hour when the statesmen of all the powers are spreading broadcast assurances that their only policy is to subordinate rivalries and interests to the common welfare of Europe in the cause of peace.

No threatening factor in the situation is known which has not existed since the beginning of the war, unless it is the near approach of the Serbian army to the Adriatic and the steps toward mobilization may mean nothing more than mutual distrust.

When the crisis arose over Bosnia and Herzegovina, both Russia and Austria came nearer to a war footing than they seem to be now, yet the war cloud drifted away.

Franking Privilege Is Abused.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—Political campaign material transmitted free of postage through the mails accounted, according to the records, for the difference between a postal surplus and a postal deficit for the last fiscal year ending June 30.

An account of franked mail, forwarded for congress, the executive departments and other government institutions, shows that postage at the ordinary rate on this matter would have netted the government nearly \$20,000,000. About \$3,250,000 of this would have been paid on political documents. The postal service handled in the year 310,240,000 pieces of franked mail, weighing 61,377,000 pounds.

Schrank Is Declared Insane.

MILWAUKEE, November 22.—John Schrank, who shot Colonel Theodore Roosevelt on the night of October 14 in Milwaukee, is insane and was committed late this afternoon, by Municipal Judge Backus, to the Northern hospital for the insane near Oshkosh until cured.

Commitment was pronounced after the presentation of an exhaustive report of the commission, in which defendant unanimously was adjudged insane. District Attorney Zabel submitted a number of questions bearing upon medical terms to each of the alienists, all of which brought forth similar responses, the substance of which was that Schrank was "Terroring from chronic paranoia; and all of the physicians agreed that it was doubtful if the disease could be cured. Failure in effecting a cure of Schrank's mental disorder means that he will spend the rest of his life in the asylum."

Box Elder Press: Owing to the low price of flax this fall a large number of our farmers have stated that they will not put in flax another year and some are even disposing of their seed flax.

REJECT PEACE TERMS.

Turkey Prefers War To Conditions Proposed By Bulgarians.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 22.—The rejection by Turkey of the conditions offered for an armistice between the opposing forces has been forwarded to the Bulgarian government. One of the causes for the rejection was the opinion held in official circles in Constantinople that the conditions imposed by the allies deprived the Turks of the possibility of resuming hostilities in the event of the failure of the plenipotentiaries to settle terms. This, from the Turkish point of view, meant no armistice at all. Such conditions, it is held here, are only made when it is a question of the preliminaries of peace and by accepting such terms as those presented by the allies, Turkey would be binding herself hand and foot.

It is further insisted that Turkey has not sunk to that degree of impotency which would compel her to accept such conditions.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—"Come and take them," the defiant reply of the Turks to the demands made by the allied Balkan nations for the evacuation of the line of fortifications at Thessalonja in front of Constantinople, is not believed in diplomatic circles necessarily to mean the end of the negotiations for an armistice, even though fighting has been resumed.

From Sofia comes word today that the victorious invaders are likely to modify their conditions. The European powers at the same time are exerting themselves to induce the nations composing the Balkan league to bring their terms more into line with the facts of the situation and to arrange a treaty which will give them all they have conquered but will leave out that which has not been conquered.

Suffragists Carry Kansas.

TOPEKA, Kas., Nov. 22.—Official figures given out today on the vote on suffrage show that the amendment carried by a majority of 16,079. There were seventy-four counties voted for it and thirty against it, and a tie in Brown county. Of the voters taking part in the last election, 31,000 failed to vote either way on the amendment.

Need Liberal Land Laws.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 22.—An attack was made by Governor Norris at last night's session of the government's policy with regard to the settling of lands. He said the only way to check American immigration to Canada was for the government to throw open more public lands to settlers and make the terms of settlement easier in order that the American settler may have the same chance as he would have in going to Canada.

Would Elect By Popular Vote.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Senator Works of California will introduce a resolution when congress re-assembles for the amendment of the constitution providing for the election of president and vice president by direct vote of the people. The senator will urge in support of the measure, that, in addition to its directness, it would have an advantage over the present method in that it would avoid the possibility of a president or vice president being elected by the house or by the senate.

Pensions For Ex-Presidents.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Future ex-presidents of the United States are to be pensioned in the sum of \$25,000 annually through the action of the Carnegie corporation of New York. The grant is provided for with the idea of enabling former executives of the nation to devote their unique knowledge gained in public affairs to the public good, free from pecuniary care. A similar amount is to be paid widows of ex-presidents as long as they remain unmarried.

Planned Dynamite Campaign.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 22.—Ortle E. McManigal's story of finding his little daughter in the kitchen of his home in Chicago playing with 80 one-pound sticks of dynamite, which he had left on the radiator to thaw, was told by him at the dynamite conspiracy trial today. The girl, he said, was on the floor with the dynamite and James B. McNamara the Los Angeles Times dynamiter was testing a battery on the door bell.

Stealing 1,200 pounds of dynamite and hiding it in a shed in Tiffin, Ohio, and then transporting it in suitcases on passenger trains to Indianapolis was another experience related by McManigal. It was the explosive used by McNamara and the McNamara after the Los Angeles Times explosion and by which 10 non-union jobs were

blown up, in spite of the fact, the witness said, that detectives for two months had been on the trail of the dynamiters.

Confident that the agitation over the Los Angeles explosion would blow over, and that James B. McNamara would be free to do more jobs, McManigal added, plans were begun in January, 1911, to carry on the dynamite campaign with zest.

Land Show Was a Success.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 23.—The second annual Northwestern Products exposition came to a close tonight with the celebration of "Idaho Day." Next year's session probably will be held in some eastern city.

Announcement was made today that Leonard and Bailentyne of Glendive Mont., had won first prize for the bushel of flax, and that Cook county, in an Oregon colonization company's exhibit, was awarded the silver cup for the best display of forage plants.

Award of \$5,000 prize for the best bushel of wheat probably will not be made until next week.

Will Distribute Road Fund.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The half million dollars appropriated by congress as the last session for improvement of roads will be distributed among states that co-operate with the federal government in this work. The cabinet has decided that the money be allotted among all the states on the basis of \$10,000 to each state that agrees to spend \$20,000 of its own funds.

Conrad Farmers Lead Contest.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 21.—Thirteen northwestern farmers still remain in the contest for the \$5,000 prize for the best bushel of wheat in the land show, J. P. Kane, Conrad, Montana, with a score of ninety-eight leading, and Peter Doerboor, Conrad, Montana, being second with ninety-six. The severest test, that of the quality of the bread to be made from the grain remains, and may effect the final standing.

F. F. Gray, of North Yakima, Wash., was announced as first prize winner for the best ten boxes of apples, winning the Howard Elliott prize of \$100 in gold.

Cannot Insure Auto Drivers.

DES MOINES, Nov. 21.—The Iowa supreme court has handed down a decision holding that insurance written against damages from automobile accidents is void. The supreme court held that it was against public policy to allow a man to insure himself against the result of his own carelessness.

Drowned Expensive Automobile.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—Obeying the orders of his employer, H. H. Hart of Oakland, James Litz, a chauffeur, ran a \$4,500 automobile off the rear of a ferry boat into San Francisco bay, when Hart's decision to "drown" the machine after it had rolled up a repair bill amounting to \$2,000.

Prisoner Stole Jail Stove.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 20.—John Jones, a negro trusty at No. 2 police station in Kansas City, Kansas, was fined \$200 in police court yesterday for stealing the station stove, wheeling it to a junk shop in the station wheelbarrow and selling it for fifty-nine cents. In addition to the \$200, John was sentenced to wheel the stove back to the station and set it in its place again.

"I see that you cannot be trusted" said the judge in imposing sentence, and he cautioned the workhouse guards to see that he did not sell his ball and chain.

New Boss of Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Carmel Thompson was appointed today treasurer of the United States by President Taft to succeed Lee McClung, who resigned recently. Mr. Thompson will assume his new duties tomorrow and Charles D. Hilles, who was secretary to the president before the beginning of the last campaign, will return to that post.

Denies Cabinet Rumors.

HAMILTON, BERMUDA, Nov. 21.—"All statements about selections for the cabinet may be disregarded until I make the announcement myself," declared president-elect Wilson tonight when he was told of the reports published in the United States.

President-elect Wilson, who had not offered nor had a position in his cabinet to anyone. It is said that William J. Bryan has not been invited to come to Bermuda and it is said he is not expected here during the governor's stay.

MAKE WHOLESALE ARRESTS

Nearly Two Hundred Suspects Accused of Criminal Acts.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—One hundred and forty-two persons, including 50 men and 43 women, have been arrested in the government's anti-race suicide crusade, according to compilation made today of figures in the division of inspection in the postoffice department. Forty-two business concerns were included in official reports, approximately 50 representatives of the concerns having been arrested.

The tabulations show no returns thus far as to the arrest of 20 persons indicted by federal grand juries in various parts of the country prior to the raid. The total roundup will exceed probably the total of 173 fixed yesterday by the inspectors, because arrests were made in a few cases in Chicago and in the far west, where the department did not know the cases were ready. In very few instances was there failure to make the arrest determined upon.

Appointed Indian Commissioner.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Edwin E. Ayer, a wealthy Chicagoan, has been named by President Taft a member of the board of Indian commissioners which has supervision of the contracts and purchase of supplies among the Indians. Mr. Ayer has taken an interest for many years in the Indian affairs, having presented a large collection of Indian relics valued at more than \$1,000,000 to the Field Museum at Chicago.

Carnegie Gives Millions.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—An addition of \$2,000,000 to the endowment fund of the Carnegie foundation for the advancement of teaching was announced by Andrew Carnegie at a meeting of the trustees of his foundation here. The endowment now stands at \$14,000,000, with a million dollar surplus. The gift was part of a grant of \$5,000,000 made in 1903, on which another \$2,000,000 is yet to come. The money was conveyed to the trustees in steel corporation bonds.

Baked 25,000 Apple Pies.

SPOKANE, Nov. 21.—Twenty five thousand apple pies, rivaling those like "mother used to make," were baked in an endless-chain oven 75 feet long and served steaming hot to 25,000 hungry persons at the Fifth Annual Apple show and Enakops jubilee, which closed Sunday evening.

The apples were first made into sauce in the largest boiling pot ever constructed, its dimensions being 18 feet high; 10 feet in diameter and its weight 3,500 pounds. From the kettle the apples went between crusts as filling for pies. Then they began their journey by endless chain through the oven, which literally threw out pies to the hungry crowds waiting at the exit.

Figuring one apple to each pie, each pie being four inches in diameter, 25,000 apples, or nearly 40 carloads, were baked and distributed free of charge. It proved to be the most spectacular feature ever given by the apple show.

In its serious phase, the National Apple show launched a movement designed to unite the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana into one big unit for the co-operative distribution of Pacific Northwest apples and other fruits.

Patient Sues Physician.

SPOKANE, Nov. 21.—Because he didn't die, William Goldblatt, a Spokane jeweler, has brought suit against his physician, Dr. G. H. Rober, for \$15,000. Goldblatt alleges in his complaint that Dr. Rober told him he had cancer of the stomach. Believing recovery was impossible and wishing to leave his property in cash, Goldblatt sold his business at a sacrifice of \$15,000. He then sat down and waited for death to claim him. Becoming impatient at his continued presence among the living, he consulted eastern specialists and discovered that he was in perfect health. The filing of the suit followed.

Roosevelt Objects To Fusion.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Theodore Roosevelt and Oscar S. Straus addressed a general conference of progressive state leaders in session here yesterday. The conference was to decide the question of fusion in elections hereafter, with particular reference to suggested fusion with anti-Tammany forces in New York.

It was Colonel Roosevelt's first speech since the election. He said: "There have been times when it was said that we were merely a bolting faction of one of the parties and would attempt to fuse again with the party. We will not. In this party organization of ours ex democrats and ex-re-

publicans stand alike. Both of the old parties represent the same interest and both of them stand on the vital issues of the day, shoulder to shoulder, side by side, and it is our business to show the people that they are decided when they are prevailed upon to vote under either of the old parties."

Continuing Colonel Roosevelt declared he was in the ranks as a man and not as a leader. He said that he hoped that in no legislative assembly in which the progressives had representation would there be any subordination to either of the old parties if they desired to combine the men of the progressive party with their party organization.

Wilson Is Christian Gentleman.

SPOKANE, Nov. 20.—Anxious to learn whether president-elect Wilson partakes of Scotch high balls, especially when a little tired, as reported recently, a member of the local option city committee here communicated with Mr. Wilson's pastor at Princeton N. J., and received the following reply:

"Mr. Wilson is a Christian gentleman and of the highest type and a temperance man, both in theory and practice. His example both in eating and drinking is worthy of imitation by all those who would follow the apostolic injunction: "Whether ye eat or drink or whatsoever ye do, do all for the glory of God."

QUACK DOCTORS ARRESTED.

Federal Authorities Make Roundup of Nostrum Vendors.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Postoffice inspectors and United States marshals in 72 leading cities of the country began today practically simultaneous raids for the arrest of 173 persons charged with using the mails to promote criminal medical practices, or the sale of drugs and instruments used for illegal purposes.

All of the arrests are to be made for alleged violation of section 211 of the penal code of the United States which bars from the mails any vile or obscene matter; any advertisement letter or circular proposing or suggesting criminal practices; or any packet containing any substance, drug, or thing intended to be used for immoral or unlawful purposes.

Chief Inspector Robert Sharp, of the postoffice department, and many of his force of 390 inspectors have been working upon the cases for many months. The development of the plans which culminated today is the most extensive raid in the history of any department of the government.

Approximately 20 per cent of those arrested today are so-called "pill doctors"—men who advertise their practice by correspondence or otherwise—and send to their patients, either by mail or by express, various commodities in the form of pills or powders. Careful analysis of these compounds by the government authorities is said to have disclosed that some of them are wholly innocuous, while others are dangerous poisons. Under another section of the penal code, the sending of poisons through the mails is expressly forbidden.

Favors Public Markets.

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—Resolutions were adopted at last night's meeting of the city council calling on Mayor Harrison to appoint a committee of seven to report on the feasibility of public markets in densely-populated portions of the city as a means of lessening the cost of living.

It was pointed out that a market recently established in the congested ghetto district had proved a success and that it had been shown that commodities could be purchased cheaper at a public market than other places.

Lean Years Will Come.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 19.—The needs of the Northwest with regard to proper agricultural development and the financial problems of the United States as they relate to the agriculture of the Northwest were the principal themes for discussion today at the opening session of the second annual Minnesota Conservation and Agricultural Development congress, held in connection with the Northwestern Products exposition here.

James J. Hill was the principal speaker, delivering an address on agricultural development in Minnesota. "Seasons like the present are only breathing spaces for rectifying the errors of the past," he said. "The lean years will come again. They will be leaner than ever unless the lessons of experience are accepted. Men are being wasted in the city who are needed in the country. We must recognize the farm as the corner stone of national prosperity and of national character."