

CONFESSION OF ORTIE McMANIGAL

McNamara's Pal Gives Details of the "Jobs".

Tells of the Various Explosions He Engineered.

Burns Calls Sam Gompers a Bunco Steerer.

Indianapolis, Dec. 11.—The complete confession of Ortie McManigal to Detective Burns, made at the time of the arrest of himself and James B. McNamara, is now given to the public for the first time and it deals with details of the "jobs" carried out under James J. McNamara's direction, giving dates, purchases of dynamite and times of explosions, that no doubt can be entertained of its genuineness.

McManigal began working with the McNamaras in June, 1907, and committed various crimes under a man whose name he does not give because he is not under arrest, but who is supposed to be the much-wanted Kaplan. This man kept back part of the money that was to be given for wrecking bridges and factories and after this discovery he dealt with John J. McNamara personally, coming to this city frequently for consultation and getting the explosives at the Jones stable, where it had been planted, and in the basement of the Central Life building, where McNamara had his office as secretary of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers. After referring to his dynamiting of bridges and other structures and finding that the man under whom he was working was keeping part of his pay, he reported to John J. McNamara.

He continues in his confession to detail many "jobs" of dynamiting all over the country, and the confession winds up as follows:

"The next job was the Springfield, Mass. job. McNamara told me to go to Boston. I placed the shot in the tower and it went off at 2 o'clock that morning. I took the train for Utica, N. Y. When I arrived in Utica I looked around the Savage Arms Company, looking at guns. From there I went on as far as Rochester, where I bought a dozen more clocks at a jewelry auction sale. I had orders from J. J. McNamara to go to Detroit and look to the Detroit Bridge and Steel Works, the Whitehead, Kates Company, and the A. B. Company. I found the places, looked them up and returned to Indianapolis. J. J. McNamara paid me \$300 and expenses for the job. Up to the Cleveland job I had paid me, but after that J. J. took the matter in hand himself all the way through."

THE McNAMARAS' ARREST.

Los Angeles, Dec. 11.—I've got hundreds of thousands of dollars and the American Federation of Labor back of me. It took only \$30,000 to clear Vincent Altman, of Chicago, and if they could not convict him they cannot convict me." This boast, attributed to James B. McNamara as the latter was being taken on a train from Detroit to Chicago on the night of April 12 last, caused Ortie E. McManigal, then also under arrest, to become angered with McNamara for his independent statement and was the first incident that led McManigal to break with his companion and eventually to confess his connection throughout the country.

The federal grand jury heard McManigal's story all day and will hear more of it to-morrow.

Details of what McManigal knows of the alleged conspiracy were given to the grand jury to-day. That his story implicates other men in the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, became known through various sources. McManigal alleges that persons other than John J. McNamara, the secretary and treasurer, paid him for the twenty "jobs" of dynamiting which he says he accomplished since 1907.

A DETECTIVE'S STORY.

Malcolm McLean, the detective who arrested J. B. McNamara and McManigal, stayed outside the grand jury chamber to-day waiting for McManigal. While thus waiting McLean gave a new version, new in important details, of the evidence and circumstances which led up to the arrest of McManigal with McNamara in Detroit.

"About the seventh or eighth of April last," McLean said, "I picked up McManigal in his home in Chicago. He had just arrived from Springfield, Mass., where he said he had blown up the Municipal Tower. He had stopped in Indianapolis and, he said, obtained \$400 from J. J. McNamara for the Springfield job and the one at Milwaukee.

"We shadowed him the next day as he went down town with his wife to the Hillman Bank. Our office happened to be right across the street and I told Mr. Burns that if he wanted to get a good look at McManigal then was his chance. So Burns went out and got a good look at him. McManigal then went to the headquarters of the ironworkers' union and finally home.

"We trailed McManigal and his wife the next day again as they walked with their children, looking into shop windows. I was afraid that the children, who had seen me, might recognize and call their parents' attention to me.

"McManigal left home carrying a suitcase and I took a train with him to Toledo, keeping well away from his sight. In Toledo James B. McNamara was waiting for McManigal at the station. McManigal pulled out a map, while I saw was of Detroit. They traced it over with a lead pencil, but finally went to the Meyerhoff Hotel. McNamara registered as Campbell and McManigal as Hoffman. I had instructions to arrest McNamara as soon as I could locate him, so I called up Chicago on the long

distance telephone and got Raymond Burns on the phone. He told me to call up again in a half hour and in the meantime got into communication with his father, who was in Boston. Raymond Burns came to Toledo and with two other detectives stopped at a hotel on the other side of the street, but as the police of Toledo were not in sympathy with us we were afraid to risk an arrest there and decided to follow them to the next place.

GO TO DETROIT.
The next morning McManigal left the hotel with J. B. McNamara. McManigal had a suitcase, and at the station McNamara got a small grip from the checkstand. They got tickets for Detroit, and we felt happy when we boarded the train that morning for Detroit. McManigal and McNamara sat five seats ahead of us in the same day coach. We reached Detroit at noon, and they went to a hotel. We decided to make the arrests there. We did so, and took them to the depot, buying tickets for Chicago.

J. B. kept shouting about being 'kidnapped,' and finally attracted the attention of some police officers so we all had to go back to the police station. The rest of the afternoon we worked hard trying to get them away, and finally McManigal, who had his money in Chicago, persuaded McNamara they would be better off in his home town, and J. B. signed a waiver to proceedings in Detroit.

"We left on the night of April 12 in a drawing room. Several baseball magnates were on the train, and they knew the detectives with us. Naturally we had to tell them who we had. We said they were 'a couple of yeggs' whom we had taken for safe cracking."

HARD ON GOMPERS.

New York, Dec. 11.—Wm. J. Burns, who ran down the McNamaras and who is at work now assisting the United States Government to collect evidence against officials of the American Federation of Labor, came here to-day from Philadelphia.

Talking about Gompers, Mr. Burns said "Samuel Gompers is an old bunco steerer, and the sooner decent laboring men get that into their heads the better for the unions. I dare Gompers to make an affidavit that he did not know the McNamaras were guilty before they confessed. I can make an affidavit that I have good evidence to show that he did know they were guilty."

BURNED TO DEATH

Mother and Two Children Victims of Fire.

Bureau despatch: In a fire which destroyed a three-story building on Champlain street shortly after 8 o'clock this morning three persons lost their lives and a fourth is likely to die.

The victims are Mrs. Thomas Jones, aged 25 years, and her two sons, Charles, aged 5, and Alfred, aged 4. Still lingering between life and death is Mrs. Jones' two-months-old infant, who is badly burned about the face. The upper portion of the building was occupied by Harry Marquis and family, but these escaped by means of lowering themselves down in the rear of the building by rope. It seems that Mrs. Jones, after giving her husband his breakfast and seeing him off to work, went back to bed and shortly after the fire occurred. So rapidly did the fire make headway that the unfortunate victims were overcome and burned to death.

POTATOES SCARCE

25,000 Bags Arrive From Ireland at New York.

New York, Dec. 11.—Importations of potatoes from abroad are beginning to arrive in this port, the main bulk of them coming from Ireland. Up to date this fall about 25,000 sacks have arrived.

Wholesalers quote Maine potatoes in the market here at \$3 a sack, and say this price is just about double the price of a year ago. Since early fall the price had risen steadily, and \$4 a sack is expected by February.

Not only is there a scarcity of potatoes in this country, but from practically all the potato producing countries of the world reports show stack crops.

WOMAN SUICIDES

Man Calmly Watched Her Struggle in Water.

Windsor despatch: An unknown woman committed suicide in a dramatic manner by jumping off the middle of the Belle Isle bridge into the Detroit River shortly before dark to-night. It is a drop of nearly 60 feet to the water.

After drifting down about a hundred feet the woman disappeared. Two workmen saw the tragedy, but were too far away to render any assistance.

Just after the woman made her leap of death, a young man walked out on the bridge, looked idly down to where the woman was struggling, and then turned about and walked away.

No accurate description of the suicide has been obtained. Harbormaster Ellison dragged the river for several hours to-night without finding the body.

PUBLIC HEALTH CONVENTION.

Montreal despatch: Papers of most vital interest to the inhabitants of Montreal, Toronto and other large Canadian cities will be read at the first annual convention of the Canadian Public Health Association, to be held at McGill University from Wednesday to Friday next week.

The formal opening will take place on Wednesday at 8:30 p. m. at the Royal Victoria Club. H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught will declare the convention and deliver an address.

NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Glut of Poultry at the Brockville Fair.

Galt Asks for \$10,000 for Park Purposes.

25-Knot Steamers Soon for Canadian Service.

The Toronto Board of Health favored the building of a municipal abattoir.

An English syndicate has purchased 400 acres in the east end of Toronto.

Ice is forming rapidly in the upper lakes and may put a stop to navigation.

Dr. N. B. White was appointed Superintendent of the Toronto Isolation Hospital.

Superintendent Ross and Mr. Hunter were in Brantford looking for a site for the new postoffice.

There was a glut of poultry at Brockville Fair and several farmers took their loads home again.

Mayor Hopewell of Ottawa addressed the Empire Club at Toronto on "The Georgian Bay Canal."

Caion Ellegood, of Montreal, left an estate of \$150,000, mostly to Mrs. Townsend, a niece, in England.

Tubes mean the financial ruin of Toronto, declared Ald. Sam McBride, before the Woodbine Ratepayers' Association.

Rev. A. G. Cameron, for three years minister of St. John's Church, Brockville, has resigned, and will leave January 1 for Alberta.

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The steamship Oceanic, which sailed from Queenston for New York carried 6,000 bags of mail. It is claimed that this breaks the record.

Earl McDougall, of Guilds, near Ridgeway, accidentally shot himself while out shooting rabbits. McDougall's left arm was badly mangled.

The grand jury of the Toronto sessions returned a true bill against Margaret Williams on a charge of shoplifting in the T. Eaton store.

Mr. Arthur Hawkes met the New Ontario settlers at Englehart and heard their complaints regarding lack of roads and land held by speculators.

A three-story structure at 33 Bleury street, Montreal, used as a factory by the National Spinning Company, was burned. There was \$5,000 damage.

Shawinigan Falls, Que., is in the throes of a smallpox epidemic, and although the disease is of a mild type thirty-six houses have been placarded.

A store and stables owned by J. H. Brill, but occupied by W. T. Richardson, street, Montreal, used as a factory by fire. The loss will amount to about \$10,000.

Alfred Leon Gerault Richard, Publicist and Socialist, who represented Gueloupe in the Chamber of Deputies, is dead, at Paris. He was born October 11, 1860.

Toronto's share of the grade separation of the Grand Trunk Railway in the west end of that city is \$200,000, and the G. T. R. Company wants the city to pay it now.

Lord Strathcona, in an interview, says a service of twenty-five-knot steamers from Liverpool to Montreal will be an accomplished fact much sooner than people imagine.

The Galt Parks Commission sent on a motion to the Town Council to-day asking that body to submit a by-law to the people to raise \$10,000 to be spent for park purposes.

Sir George Lewis, senior member of Lewis & Lewis, solicitors, Holborn, is dead at London. He was born in 1823, was created a knight in 1883, and a baronet in 1892.

At the council meeting of the University of Manitoba it was decided to pay the expenses incident to an interchange of lectures with the University of North Dakota.

The remains of the late William Coleman, who was employed on the Canadian Northern Railway at Perth Road, and who died in the General Hospital at Kingston, are unclaimed.

Max Glass was arrested at New York charged with shipping glandered horses to New Jersey for consumption as food in violation of the pure food law. He was held in \$1,500 bail for trial.

The death took place, following an operation, of one of Woodstock's most popular young ladies, in the person of Miss Louise Hall, daughter of the late J. B. Hall, the well known bee fancier.

Earl Grey received the honorary degree of doctor of laws from Cambridge, the public orator saying the Earl had greatly distinguished himself as a Governor, Lord Rothschild was similarly honored.

Mrs. George Hurst, Chatham, Ont., was found dead in bed. Heart failure, probably accentuated by grief over her son, Charles Hurst, recently sentenced to life imprisonment for manslaughter, was the cause.

An Italian named Young, employed on the Trent Canal, has been awarded \$1,500 damages against Contractors Denman and Rogers, for serious injuries he sustained by the premature explosion of some dynamite.

F. Daly, an employee of the Canada Steel Co., in Belleville, had a portion of his left hand severed while engaged in operating a pair of large steam shears. The little and third fingers of the hand were cleanly cut off.

The Barnett-McQueen Company, of Port Arthur, received a contract from the Canadian Northern Coal & Ore Docks Company to double the coal handling capacity of the company's plant there and will start work at once.

A few days ago a report was circulated in Kingston to the effect that "Bunty" Keegan, of that city, had been found drowned in the Erie Canal, near Syracuse, N.Y. His relations have found that the report is not true.

The effort of Mrs. H. A. Boomer to have the next general meeting of the National Council of Women, held in London, Ont., have been successful. Word has been received that the 1912 Dominion Convention will meet in London.

A private detective purchased a quantity of beer from Abraham Silverstone, 40 Nelson street, Toronto, and Tony Donoro, 446 Dufferin street, with the result that both men were sentenced to three months' imprisonment in the police court.

Premier Sifton submitted a bill to raise a loan of five million dollars on the general revenue of Alberta Province. Of this money, one million will be used for roads and bridges, and the other four millions for extensions of the Government railway system.

"Her Excellency the Governor of California" may soon become a familiar title, if a bill, swept through the Lower House of the Legislature by unanimous vote, finds its way to the statute books. The measure would open every elective office of the State to its feminine citizens.

Nearly a hundred men in the mill works of the James Pender & Company, Limited, St. John, in which the Nova Scotia Iron & Steel Company is the largest shareholder, went out on strike. The men went a Saturday half-holiday the year around or their hours reduced from ten to eight hours a day.

Port Arthur signed an agreement with a firm to be known as the Steel Products Company, of Port Arthur, whereby the company, which now has a plant at Morrisburg capitalized at \$75,000, will move the plant there and engage in the manufacture of sheet metal, giving employment to 200.

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association has received notice that the Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners will hold a sitting at its offices in the Central Station, Ottawa, on January 3, to proceed with the general inquiry into the tariffs of telegraph companies, and the settlement of proper forms for telegraph companies to use.

TO LAST COURT

Hebert Marriage Case Will be Fought Out.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—The Hebert case will go through, according to a decision of Mr. Justice Charbonneau in the practice court this morning on an appeal from Mr. Cousins, attorney for Mrs. Hebert. The judge agreed to allow the case to come up next Tuesday on its merits. In many quarters it is stated that the case had been withdrawn by the Catholic Church, which feared to carry the matter to the highest court. On the other hand, thousands of Protestants and many Catholics wanted the matter settled once and for all. They declare that if there is any clash between the religious and civil authorities in regard to marriage, the civil law must be supreme. They are also demanding a federal marriage law.

The case will now be carried to the highest courts. The first passage of arms on Tuesday next will be of unusual interest, as Rev. Mr. Timberlake, the Methodist pastor who married the pair, will give evidence at the trial, and Rev. Father Callaghan, chancellor of the Roman Catholic Diocese, will represent his church, producing as a portion of his evidence a copy of the famous decree under which the wedding was declared null and void.

MET OPPOSITION

Naval Prize Bill Passes the British House.

London, Dec. 11.—The House of Commons to-night passed the third reading of the naval prize bill. A motion for its rejection was defeated by 172 to 125.

The "Declaration of London" undertakes to establish an agreement between the principal commercial nations for the control of commerce in times of war. It names the articles which may without notice be used as contraband of war, which include foodstuffs, all kinds of craft, railway materials, clothing, silver, gold and vehicles.

There has been considerable opposition in Great Britain to the ratification of the Declaration of London, which will be made effective, so far as Britain is concerned, by the passing of the naval prize bill. The London Chamber of Commerce took a leading part in opposing the proposal, which has been agreed to in conference by the great powers. The main grounds of objection were the danger to British food supplies, and the right of the powers to convert merchantmen into armed cruisers on the high seas in time of war.

A GOOD PRICE

Ninety Cents a Pound for Champion Steer.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Mr. J. A. Watt, of Salem, Ont., it will be remembered, won the prize for the junior champion bull at the Chicago live stock show. Victor the winning entry, declared by judges to be the greatest steer ever rewarded the grand championship, to-day was shorn of his blue ribbons and hard-won laurels and transferred into beefsteak.

After winning all the honors that it is possible for a steer to win, Victor was put on the block and sold at auction to the highest bidder. The bidding was spirited from the start, and the animal was finally sold to a departmental store at 90 cents a pound, the highest price ever paid for a grade champion.



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A SEND-OFF

R. Y. Eaton Off to be Married.

Toronto despatch: "Bob's off getting married," said a steamer across the end of a special car attached to the C. P. R. Winnipeg train which left the Union station last night at 10:20. The car carried Mr. R. Y. Eaton, of the T. Eaton Company, Limited, to the west, where he will be married on Dec. 13 to Miss Hazel Ireland, of Carberry, Manitoba. He was accompanied by Mrs. John C. Eaton, his cousin, Mr. Thomas Eaton, and his three sisters.

The Union station about 10 o'clock was the scene of a loud and joyous demonstration when about four hundred managers and assistant managers of the T. Eaton Company gave Mr. Eaton a rousing send-off. The four hundred strong kept quiet until the station was reached, and then there were blasts of horns and trumpets, lusty singing and lustier cheering. Mr. Eaton bore it all bravely.

The special car was a mass of floral decorations and bunting inside and was trimmed on the outside.

PRINCESS ALICE

C. P. R.'s New Steamer for Pacific Ocean.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—The Princess Alice, the Canadian Pacific Railway's new Pacific Ocean fast service steamship, is expected to arrive at Victoria early next week. The new "Princess" was last reported at Callao, and is now on the last leg of its long trip around Cape Horn.

The new steamship was built in Great Britain, leaving there for Victoria Sept. 22. The Princess Alice is a sister ship to the Princess Adelaide, which made the same trip last year. It is equipped with all the most modern conveniences for the comfort and safety of the passengers.

HOME RULE

Unionists Will Fight It to the Last Gasp.

London, Dec. 11.—At the opening at Bootle, Lancashire, to-night of the Unionist campaign against Home Rule, the Opposition leader, Mr. Bonar Law, said that his party had determined to fight the proposal to the last gasp.

Many people, he said, favored Home Rule because they were tired to death of the Irish problem and glad to see it out of the way. The duty of Unionists



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