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Two Men Killed at Courtenay Bay; One Is Blown To Pieces

Dynamite Blasts Exploded Too Soon

SEVERAL CHARGES READY

All Went Off Without Warning—Superintendent Olsen's Body Hurled Nearly 300 Yards; Andrew Damon Literally Torn To Fragments

A terrible double fatality occurred this morning at Courtenay Bay when two of the dynamiting crew, John Olsen, the foreman, aged about twenty-nine years, and Andrew Damon, his assistant, aged twenty-five, both Swedes, were instantly killed by the premature explosion of dynamite in a set of holes on which they were working.

Damon's body was torn limb from limb and scattered about the ground, while Olsen's body was hurled by the awful force of the explosion to the shore in front of the Municipal Home, about 300 yards away. The cause of the accident is not known and possibly the reason for the dynamite going off prematurely will never be known, as Olsen and Damon were the only ones near the spot where the explosion occurred.

The accident occurred about a quarter after eight o'clock. Olsen and Damon had been at work loading a set of holes on the rocks and sand. One of Damon's legs was carried far away down towards the breaker and the rest of his body strewn about in all directions. Olsen's body was carried through the air as far as the Municipal Home. There it was found, hurled and mutilated almost beyond recognition.

FREDERICTON LOOKS FOR A BUILDING BOOM IN SPRING

(Special to Times.) Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 2.—There will be little moving in Fredericton this year, suitable dwellings being so scarce that all occupying them are content to remain where they are. A building boom is expected in the spring. The demand for dwellings now is far in excess of the supply.

In Memory of Nason B. Smith

Halifax, Feb. 2.—Representatives of all denominations gathered in the North Baptist church last night at a service in memory of Ex-Alderman Nason B. Smith, who up to the time of his death was president of the Maritime Baptist convention, and dean of the church.

Phelix and Pheridano WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, H. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—Pressure is low over the western states and over Newfoundland, and generally high elsewhere; the weather is decidedly cold in the western provinces, and to the northward of Lake Superior, but only moderately cold over the remaining portions of Canada.

Moderately cold.

Maritime—Fair and moderately cold today and on Tuesday.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—New England forecast: Fair today and Tuesday; diminishing northwest to north winds.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY NEW YORK PARADE MAY BE LAST ONE

With Home Rule Within Year, A.O.H. Believe Annual March Out Unnecessary

New York, Feb. 2.—Believing that home rule in Ireland will become a fact before another year passes, many prominent members of the A. O. H. are of the opinion that St. Patrick's day will mark the end of the annual parade in Fifth avenue. With home rule in force, many members of the order feel there will be little necessity for holding the parade, which has been an event in this city for fifty years.

MORE THAN 500 WERE KILLED LAST YEAR IN NEW YORK STREETS

New York, Feb. 2.—In 1913, according to the report of the National Highway Protective Society, made public today, 502 persons were killed by automobiles in New York city. This is an increase of 81 over 1912.

WOMEN DRESSED IN GARB OF THEIR TRADES ASK WILSON FOR VOTES

Washington, Feb. 2.—Clad in frocks representative of their trades, 400 women workers from ten states, intent upon enlisting the support of the president for the votes for women cause, were received today at the White House.

THE RENT QUESTION

Rents show no signs of stopping their upward climb this year. February brought many tenants notices of increased rentals and the occupants of premises are confronted with the necessity of paying more for their present quarters or finding others.

Ten Business Houses Burned

Burnsville, West Va., Feb. 2.—Approximately one-half of the business section of Burnsville was wiped out by fire early yesterday. Ten business houses, and one dwelling were burned. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, more than half covered by insurance.

End Convention Wednesday

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 2.—The third week of the convention of the United Mine Workers of America opened today with the prospect that final adjournment would be taken about Wednesday.

RECEIVED INTO CHURCH

At the evening services in Main street Baptist church last evening four candidates were received into membership. There were received in German street Baptist church. In the former yesterday one was baptized.

TO BEGIN TOMORROW

Stephen A. Payne tomorrow morning will enter upon his new duties in the customs house in the public works department.

NEARLY EQUAL

The returns from the Government Savings Bank for January show deposits of \$70,075.14, and withdrawals of \$70,254.30.

TOO COLD IN FRANCE FOR NEGRO SOLDIERS FROM THE ISLANDS

Many Invalided Home and There Is Indignation Against the Government

Baz, Terre Guadeloupe, Feb. 2.—Widespread indignation against the French government and Gratiens Cabinet, who represents Guadeloupe in the chamber of deputies in Paris, was aroused here by the arrival of 104 invalid colored soldiers here today. They belong to Guadeloupe and had been crippled through having to serve in the winter in France. More than twenty others died during their period of service there.

SAYS WESTERN UNION AND BRITISH CABLE COMPANIES SOON MAY BE DIVORCED

New York, Feb. 2.—A cable to the New York Times, from London says: The Morning Post publishes a letter from a correspondent in London, in which he proposes for a British government owned Atlantic cable. He advances as an argument against such a scheme, "The rumor that, in line with the policy of the American government in separating the Bell Telephone and Western Union, a separation of the Western Union and the English cable companies may soon be effected."

EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE

Rev. J. Charles B. Appel, secretary of the Evangelical Alliance, was present at the meeting held in St. Andrew's church this morning. He was warmly welcomed, it being the first time he has been invited to attend the meetings since his illness.

COUNTY POLICEMAN OFF DUTY; RESIDENTS REPORT NEED OF HIM

Residents of the Loch Lomond, Red Head and Marsh roads express dissatisfaction over the removal of County Policeman Armstrong, who was relieved of duty on the last day of January. The county council declined to pay for his better state of living. His brother, George, knight was introduced and welcomed.

WM. O'REGAN DEAD IN BOSTON

A wire received in the city this morning told of the death of a former resident of St. John, William O'Regan, in Boston, after an illness of about a week, and many friends will learn of his death with regret. It is about twenty years since he first left his home here.

Blizzard at Niagara

Niagara Falls, Ont., Feb. 2.—One of the worst blizzards of the season struck this city on Sunday morning. A force of mile gale was accompanied by a terrific downpour of sleet, which put telegraph and electric wires out of business for some hours.

Round-to-World Air Race

San Francisco, Feb. 2.—Five hundred thousand dollars and perhaps more will be offered in prizes to aeronauts who race around the world in any type of motor-driven air craft under the auspices of the Panama Pacific International Exposition Company. The race is to start early in May, 1915.

Mails Not Picked Up

Queensferry, Feb. 2.—The steamer Luffian, from Liverpool to New York, was unable to call here yesterday owing to a severe storm prevailing and was obliged to leave behind 700 bags of mail which awaited her.

Moving Time

The house-hunting and house-renting time is here. Today house-keepers know if they are to move and landlords know if their flats or houses are on the market. As in other years, the Times will be the city directory for home-seekers and landlords. Better put your ad. in tomorrow.

FORTUNE COMES TO HIM IN FORM OF A BLACK FOX

Edmonton Man Wants \$7,000 For Animal Captured in His Chicken Coop

Edmonton, Alb., Feb. 2.—John Gentill of the city tried to chase what he thought was a dog out of a chicken coop in his back yard yesterday, and because the animal resisted he is better off \$7,000 or more. It proved to be the finest female specimen of genuine black fox taken this year, according to fox experts buying for Eastern firms here. Forty minutes after capturing it he was offered \$5,000, but is holding out for \$7,000.

NOW PLAN FOR RACES TO CHOOSE DEFENDER OF THE AMERICA'S CUP

Meeting in New York This Week—Three to Be in Water Early in May

Boston, Feb. 2.—With the construction of three aspirants for America's cup depending upon the result of a meeting here today, defended his company's attitude.

SLIT SKIRT FORBIDDEN; WOMEN BOYCOTT BALL

Military Function in Budapest Consequently is Postponed

Vienna, Feb. 2.—Hungarian women are revolting against regulations issued by Field Marshal Baron Petke forbidding the wearing of military caps, and similar functions in slit skirts. They have refused to attend a ball at the Budapest military casino, the function was consequently postponed.

Followers of Two Rival Revolutionary Leaders at It

Port Au Prince Haiti, Feb. 2.—Sharp fighting occurred yesterday at Gonaviens, between the followers of the two rival revolutionary leaders, Senator Devillier Theodore and General Oreste Zouave, formerly government delegate at Cape Haitien.

WHITE STAR ANNOUNCES A CUT IN ITS RATES

Montreal, Feb. 2.—Circulars were mailed from the local offices of the White Star Line on Saturday reporting the following reductions:

From Canada for ports on the continent of Europe, for third-class passengers, the rates have been cut from \$85 by the Laurentic, Megantic and Teutonic to \$75; by the Canada and Dominion, from \$83 to \$73.

Cardinal Takes Place as Archbishop of St. Peter's

Rome, Feb. 2.—Cardinal Merry Del Val, papal secretary of state, was solemnly received by the Chapter of St. Peter's, when he took possession of his post as archbishop today in succession to the late Cardinal Rampolla. The canons and dignitaries paid him homage, after which the cardinal said mass, would allow.

RATE CUT OF \$4 IS FIRST MOVE

Hamburg-Americans Lead Off in Atlantic Bidding

STILL LOWER, IS BELIEF

Steerage Ticket Now \$25 For All Classes of The Lines Vessels—Director Makes Public Statement of His Position

(Canadian Press) New York, Feb. 2.—All attempts to heal the breach between the North German Lloyd and the Hamburg-American lines having failed, and the period covering their agreement having expired on last Saturday, the company, however, may be said to be on the verge of a new move in the war, effective today, is the reduction of steerage rates by the Hamburg-American line, to \$25 flat for all classes of vessels, a reduction of more than \$4 a ticket. This cut will probably be promptly met by the other line, and the war in the passenger fares far below any previous record.

SPANISH DRIVE OFF MOORS; ALL DAY IN BATTLE; LOSS HEAVY

Tetuan, Morocco, Feb. 2.—The Moorish tribesmen sustained a very heavy loss in a stubbornly contested all day battle with a column of Spanish troops at Tetuan, while the Spanish forces also were severely struck, losing four officers and twenty-two men killed and forty-two officers and 115 men wounded.

TYRONE POWER IN ENGLAND

Censor Passes Play of Mary Magdalen—Second on Biblical Subject in 400 Years

London, Feb. 2.—The censor has passed the second play on biblical subject that has been licensed for production in England since the days of Joseph and his Brethren. Tyrone Power, actor who made a hit in the part of Judas when the play was given in the United States, is here looking for a theatre in which to produce it. He will play his original part of Judas.

CITY ENGINEER HOME AFTER ATTENDING CONVENTION

William Murdoch, city engineer, has returned from Montreal, where he attended the annual meeting of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, which was in session here on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of last week. The total membership of 2794 was represented by 350 delegates who came from Sydney on the east and Victoria on the western coast, and from nearly every city of importance in between. The sessions were interesting and profitable.

SHARP FIGHTING IN HAYTI

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BRITISH SLOOP OF WAR TO SEATTLE FOR REPAIRS

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 2.—The British sloop of war Algerine arrived here on Saturday from Victoria, B. C., with broken tail shaft and propeller. The commander said that British Columbia ship yards demanded more for the repairs than the English government would allow.

DIVERS SEEK THE BODIES OF DROWNED

Sunken Liner Munro Is Located

MASTHEAD ABOVE WATER

Some Bodies May Be Pinned in The Wreck—Steamer Will Be Blown Up to Clear Path of Navigation

(Canadian Press) Norfolk, Va., Feb. 2.—Divers went down in a choppy sea today for bodies in the sunken Old Dominion Liner Munro. None had come to the surface, and the only hope seemed to be in finding bodies pinned in the wreck in fifteen fathoms of water. A stiff breeze made the work of the divers difficult. If bodies are found, a special steamer will be sent out for them.

They Unite For Justice

Suburbanites Will Lay Case Before Mr. Gutelius

MEETING HELD HERE

Service Should Be Increased Rather Than Diminished—E. S. Carter Sets Forth Case in Letter To Times

What might well be termed an "indignation meeting" was held this morning in the offices of H. F. Puddington, Market Square, when suburbanites assembled and discussed the matter of the withdrawal of the I. C. R. trains. Much interest was taken in the meeting and the discussion was largely favorable to the policy which compels the withdrawal of trains which serve to make the road more popular and to all appearances more profitable.

Instead of taking away trains and lessening the schedule in the suburban service, said more than one speaker, the I. C. R. should be increasing the number of trains and in this way helping to build up the rapidly growing service by adding to the number of dwellings erected at points along the line.

There were present at the meeting suburbanites from almost every station between St. John and Hampton who are bitter in their reproaches of the I. C. R. management in taking of the suburban service they have enjoyed.

These are not summer residents in the popular meaning of the word, but citizens who, induced by the convenient and popular train schedule recently in force, have built substantial dwellings at stations along the line. Now that their accommodation is to be curtailed to such an extent as to make it impossible for them to get to their homes, they are naturally up in arms over the matter.

Their claims will be placed before Mr. Gutelius, the I. C. R. manager, by a representative committee on Thursday. The committee will consist of H. F. Puddington, J. S. Gibson, J. W. V. Lawlor, E. A. Schofield and E. J. Nisbet, all pointed in behalf of the suburbanites of the various stations.

LETTER FROM MR. CARTER

To The Editor of The Times:—Sir—I seem to find little use to express our indignation at the suburban train injustice, either in the press or to political committees or managers, for the one man power upon the Intercolonial ignores all protests and clears the road to give the right of way to the P. E. R. freight trains that pass through St. John to Halifax.

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