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POWDER FLARES THAT BROUGHT DEATH AND INJURY TO CARNEY'S POINT

RIDDLE'S \$100, SPURNED BY STOUGH, WILL AID THE POOR IN CHELSEA

Atlantic City Mayor Asserts He Will Show the Evangelist a "Little Practical Christianity"

CLASH OVER A BANNER

Taking Down of Revival Campaign Signs Called "Insult" to the Seashore Churchgoers

By a Riaff Correspondent ATLANTIC (UTY, Jan. 29.—Mayor Bid-dle will give the \$100 Evangelist Stough decided to raturn to him to the Chelsea Union League, an organization which hast union League, and food to 21. more

Union League, an organization which last week gave coal and food to 21s poor families and cared for 160 families the week before. "I can't say positively I will do this." "In Mayor said today, "because I have not got the \$100 yet. But if I do get it I shall certainly turn II over to the Chel-sea League. You know what I said be-fore. The hand that given his more blessed than the lips that pray," and now, since Evangelist Stough doesn't want my money I shall show him a little practical Chris-tianty."

Mayor Riddle now regrets that he was a victim to the evengelist's personal mag-netium when he offered his friendship to netism when he offered his friendship to Doctor Stough upon his arrival in this city. He even liked the evangeflat so well he sent him a check for \$100. As he expressed it last night, the Mayor "in-vested \$100 in Stough, but is now willing to sell out for a cent." At a tabernacle meeting hold here last night 5000 persons voted that the Mayor's \$100 gift should be returned because a re-vival campaign banner which hud been stretched across Atlantic avenue from the City Hall to the Dell-Riddle Building had

City Hall to the Bell-Riddle Building had been taken down. Doctor Stough assert-ed that the taking down of the banner "insult" to the church people of

was an "insult" to the church people of Atlantic City. To show that they, too, considered Mayor Riddlo's order to have the banner removed an "insult," those attending the tabernacle service last night forced a special collection of \$223 on the evangelist to "make up" for the return of the in "make up" for the return of the Mayor's check. Doctor Stough then re-quested everybody to pray as often as pos-sible for the conversion of the citr's Chief

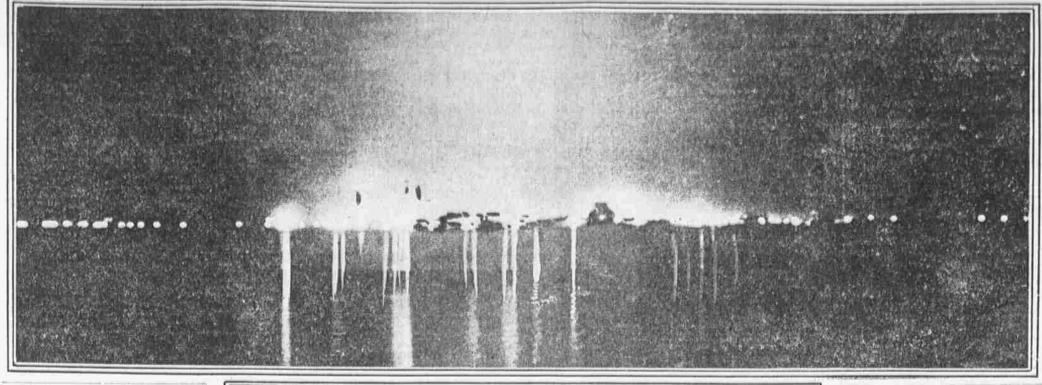
Mayor Riddle was delighted to learn that his check is to be returned, as he has undergone a change of heart since

sending it. "As soon as I heard the news," he said, "I prepared a letter to send Doctor Stough to show him where I stand on the mat-

LETTER TO EVANGELIST. The letter is as follows:

"Dear Mr. Evangelist:

"Dear Mr. Evangelist: "If I receive the \$100 back, it is more than I could possibly have hoped for. Usually one poss for mistakes, but in this case I flud out my error; I have learned the leason, and it has cost me nothing. At our first meeting you im-pressed me as an carnest, fearless man. I believed that you really had the in-terest of Atlantic City at heart, and I wanted to help you in every way possible. You have proven yourself like others of your ilk, an agitator, and one who does not hesitate to pervert the truth för, his own personal ends. Like thousands of others, I was caught in the trap of personal magnetism, the snake by which "Billy" Sunday and his imitators in-duce so many to 'hit the sawdust trait. Do these people think of Christ and his law for humanity as they announce their intention of leading a new life? No, they are enthused by personal mag-addm, and if the leader wanted to in-fluence the growd to burn property or betwe their methods as they did in



'SILENT SHOOTER' MAY HAVE SOUGHT WHITMAN

Albany Police Hunt Gunman Who Shot Five With Muffled Pistol

ALHANY, N. Y. Jan. 29.-That the gunman who with a silent pistol shot four persons yesterday may have had designs on Governor Whitman is the be-ber of Chief of Data.

lief of Chief of Police Hyatt, Detective Bain was sent to the Capitol today to investigate the appearance there yesterday of a man who answers the deiption of the man the police are now eeking.

The gunman claimed a fifth victim to-. Mary Schaup was accorted. Later found a bullet in her muff. She was injured, however. t is said the pistol used was equipped day she

with vilencer. In yesterday's shooting none of the four heard any report, nor realized that they had been shot until they

f it themselves growing weaker. The victims of the strange criminal are: Mrs. J. A. McKown, 70 years old, shot through the body; dying at the Albany Hospital.

John Irwin, 65 years old, shot in the mck; dying at the Homeopathle Hospital.

E. C. Kenny, shot in the side; at the Homeopathic Hospital, John McCormick, shot in the back; in a serious condition at the Albany Hospital.

Mrs. McKown was on her way home, when about a block from her house, she suid, she felt a stinging sensa-ilon in her back. A few steps from home, she felt herself growing weaker and asked a passerby to help her into the house. There a physician was called, who found that a built had passed through her help her into through her body, perforating her right lung.

others, I was caught in the trap of personal magnetism, the snare by which "Billy' Sunday and his limitators in-duce so many to hit the sawdunt trail. Do these people think of Christ and his love for humanity as they announce their intention of leading a new life? No, they are enthused by personal mag-nedism, and if the leader wanted to in-fluence the crowd to burn property of behead their neighbors, as they did in the French revolution, they would be carried along with the agilator's purpose in the same way. ENTHUSED BY MAGNETISM.

ound a .22-calibre revolver builet. McCormick was shot a half hour later about 10 blocks further downtown then where Kenny was shot.



The upper picture shows Carney's Point as it appeared last night from across the river at Pennsgrove. The glare in the sky was caused by the burning buildings. The lower picture shows how houses on the Carney's Point property were illuminated by the blaze.

their jobs every day because they are at the mercy of these plotters. Secret service men on the scene said that the explosions might be the work "fanatics," but would not explain

further. One eye-witness, who refused to give his | this way, for this is the truth. The truth about conditions at Carney's Point has never been told. If only a few of the de-tails were made public it would create a tremendous sensation." name, as he said he valued his job, "for his wife and child's sake," made this datement:

"Near the two fires a little after 6 o'clock in Plant Nos. 1 and 2 there were, in the first case, between 2500 and LOSS PLACED AT \$175,000. The five fires caused the greatest loss which were destroyed with 180,000 pounds of rile powder, the whole valued at \$175,-000. The first of these five occurred at o'clock yesteriay afternoon, according to workmen, and they declared the name were a number of Italians. When we rame on at 6 the Italians prayed, as usual, that no harm would befall them of this was suppressed. at their dangerous work.

Two fires followed almost simultaneous-"The Americana were whistling, talking od joking as they went to their work.

72, HE TAKES A BRIDE **OF 22; SERENADERS** ARRIVE, COPS CALLED

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'I'll Shoot Every Person That Does Not Get Out of This Yard," Cries Bride's Father

ASK "WHERE'S NELLIE?"

NEW YORK, Jan. 29 .- When It was learned last night that Charles H. Vanderhoof, 72 years old and a wealthy hat manufacturer, of East Orange, N. J., and Miss Nellie Elsie Miller, 22, of Caldwell. N. J., had been secretly married last Wednesday, more than a hundred young men and women of Calcwett gathered at the bride's home with all kinds of noisemaking implements and began'a hideous

charivari. Frank W. Miller, contracting builder, the father of the bride, appeared on the front porch when the noise was at its height and called for silence. The crowd, believing a pleasant announcement was to be made, became still, and then Mr. Miller is said to have shouled:

Miller is said to have shouldd: "Fill shoot every person that does not get out of this yard in three minutes?" This was met by hoots from the crowd, and the noisemaking was resumed with

greater energy. There were calls of: "Where's Nellie? Bring her out." "Where's Grandpa Vanderhoof? Oh, you

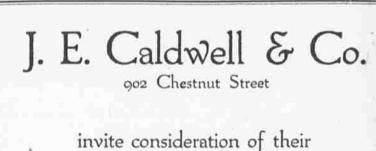
grandpa caveman''' Mr. Miller is said to have cried that he

would get a shotgun as he ran back into the house. However, he did not return, but telephoned to the police, and soon below. The Bre brigade arrived and we beloed the men of it to try to put out the flames, but could do little. All the time we knew there was another fire raging in the other plant. I am sure sev-eral must have been killed in our building along." but telephoned to the police, and soon Chief John Harkey and three other po-licemen appeared and began to struggle with the unwelcome screenaders. They forced them off the Miller lawn, but for several hours the racket of banging cans made skeep for the Miller family and neighbors impossible. A few days ago Mr. Vanderhoof pur-chased a home owned by the girls grand-mother, a few doors from the Miller home, but the serenaders kept such a close watch lawt night that he and his bride, trapped in her parents' house, were unable to reach their own "dove cote." Mr. Vanderhoof is the father of five children and the grandfather of 18. His The flare of the fires could be seen-many miles. Many in this city saw the flash over the 30 miles to Carney's Point. Within that radius of the plants on the Islaware, in three States, many believed that scores of workmen must have lost their frees.

Mr. Vanderhoof is the father of five children and the grandfather of 18. His youngest child is 10 years older than his bride. Despite the haif century of time separating the ages of Mr. Vanderh of and his bride her parents said it was a "true love match." Friends of the family had been informed early has year of the unumer

carly last week of the unusual engage-ment, and that the wedding would be on Washington's birthday. Therefore the surprise was complete yesterday when ser parents announced that the couple had been secretly married Wednesday night by the Rev. T. Stuart Molyneux, of the First Presbyterian Church of Caldwell.

A meeting of the Philadelphia bar will be held at 11 o'clock this morning ir, Room B of Common Pleas Court No. 1 Miss Miller had been prominently iden tified with the social affairs of Caldwell and was popular in the younger set. Many of her girl friends were in the serenading party that last night was driven off by the police.



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scattered as the ceiling broke into blue flame. We had never seen a flame just like that—it was all blue and spread quick

lightning. Men fell suffocated by the

"We dragged out the men we stumbled over-whether we left any behind I don't know. The fire brigade arrived and we

Pennsgrove and the communities nearby,

Pennsgrove and the communities nearby, where thousands of the workmen have their homes-little filmsy houses thrown up hastily by the company and rented to its employes-were panle-stricken. Wo-men and little boys and girls, the wives and children of the powder workers, walked about the roads weeping affil ask-ing every one they met for news of the 'res-who had been killed? There was nothing to say to them, and it was many hours before their anxiety was relieved

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Bar to Pay Tribute to A. S. L. Shields

their lives.

in memory of A. S. L. Shields, noted criminal lawyer, who died last week. President Judgo Bregy will preside and cutogies will be delivered by Congressman Graham and ex-Julge Sulzberger.

TWO POWDER VICTIMS DIE: PLOT AT DU PONTS SUSPECTED

Continued from Page One charge of the special police and detectives employed to guard the du Pont plants. C. D. Landis, publicity agent of the company, said that no explanation of the

threa had as yet been found. Great speed was required in getting out the quanti-ties of powder which the company con-tracted to supply to the Allies, he said, and there were three sight-hour shifts of workmen constantly at work in every hour of the 24. With this speed it was hard to prevent some accidents. He said he did not believe the fires had been in-

cendiary in spite of the auspicious cir-cumstances of their all happening at above the same time.

ment of the human race, and 1 never remember hearing that he took up collections after them. On the contrary, it was He who gave to the people, of His love, of His kindness, of His hearing, and even on two occasions of the more material things of life the day He zave wine to the people at the wording feast and the the people at the wedding feast, and the day He fed the multitude of four thousand. It seems sacrilege for a present day "Evangelist" (how irksome this claim

uld appear to Peter and Paul) to declare that this tearing down of all author-ity is done in the name of religion. I cannot help but think of Christ and the money changers in the Temple (see John II, 14-16) and believe if He would come to earth today. He would drive the greedy agitators with the scourge of his words from Tabernacle and Temple alike, and expose to the audiences who have been enthused by the magnetism of the speakenduased by the magnetism of the spresent. end, how much of religion they represent. end how much of human greed. When I Peceive the one hundred dollar check (if I do) 1 will give it to the Chelsea League, which last week helped 219 families and

which hast week helped 219 families and the week before 169 families by giving them food and coal. "I hope to hear of you doing some of this work that is, after all, more impor-tant than praying. "Truly yours, "WILLIAM RIDDLE."

NO INSULT INTENDED. Mayor Riddle said that the taking down

of the revival banner was not an insult

to anybody, because the only person who gave permission for hanging the emblem was a city electrician. "A petition signed by 17 men was pre-sented me," he said today, "and they remonstrated against the changing of the banner. Yesterday the City Commission-ers put the metter in my bands, and I ers put the matter in my hands, and I thought it best to have the thing taken down. It was put up without proper au-therity and taken down upon the re-quest of men of this city. Nobody was insulted " maulted.

"How do you like being prayed for" "Oh. I am used to it by this time," he

Pupiled. "It certainly gratifies me very much to learn that the people of Atlantic Clus think so much of me." Then Mayor RMddle explained why he had changed mind about Doctor Stough and the lattar's coworkers.

ACCUSED WOMAN FREED

Prisoner Charged With Bigamy Liberated-Second Husband

Leaves U. S.

One it her two husbands sailed for Kneine vesterday, so pretty Mrs. Mary Thursto, 55 years old, who has been held at City Hall since Wednesslay, accused of blandy, was allowed to go to her mother in Pittaburgh. The charge autimat her first narriage. Mrs. Thurston said her first narriage. Mrs. Thurston said her first narriage. Mrs. Thurston said her husbaid went insame and was put an asylitin. She then martial William Thurston, seconding to the police of Nor-mith ahe rin away, she asserted. He stopped in Piladeiphila while on her way to her mother's home. When Thurston salled for Eigland, the Norfolk police sefuend to press the charge. <text><text><text><text><text><text><text>

"DEFEND NATION'S LIF."," SAYS WILSON

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that the American people are back of that army." The President said that he sometimes

will not lose their nerve," he added. The officers of the company have given no idea as to what, in 't eir belief, was the cause of the fires. If they have said is that the fire "originated" in a detention house for rifle powder at plant No. 1, and spread to another detention house at plant No. 3. The detention house are magazines for powder awalt-ing shipment. All five of the destroyed buildings were frame and sheet iron af-fairs and not difficult to replace. The President said that he solutions felt that it was very awkward to wear a frock coat, ride a horse and review troops, because the sombre dress of the civilian is a symbol of the fact that civil life is better then milliare life. a symbol of the fact that civil life is better than military life. "I'm not going into details of the mili-tary program," he went on. "Details make no difference. I am convinced of one thing, however, not that there should be a great militant force in this country, but a great reserve of citizons who will be glad to go to the service of their country. "It is a pity that this is a campaign year. I hope that no one will make this a parties bane. Democrats do not differ

fairs and not difficult to replace. Guards and not diment to replace. Guards were doubled about the plants at Carney's Point today, and every per-son who sought to leave the grounds was questioned and searched. It became known today that a small

quantity of powder exploded in a device known as a "hopper" in the Hagley mills along the Brandywine late yesterday ati-erneon. No one was hurt, and after reoairs were made the "hopper" was again placed in operation.

year. I hope that both with laske that from the partisant issue. Democrats do not differ from Republicans on a question of nation-na safety. Men on the other side politi-cally are just as enthusiastic for this as 1 am, and I shall feel ashamed of any friend of mine who views it differently. "WORLD IS ON FIRE."

"LIST OF INJURED WRONG." "The world is on fire. Sparks are likely to drop anywhere. The influence of pas-sion is abroad. We are dependent now on other nations for the movement of our F. C. Bean, of Nashville, Tenn., former secretary of the Illinois Legislature, and are expert in powder mixing, who draws a large salary for his work in Plant No. 2, made a statement in his spartments in French's Hotel, Pennsgrove, which is sig-nificant of a new point of view on the nion is abroad. We are dependent now on other nations for the movement of our commerce while those nations are at war and where there is contact there is danger of friction, and where nations are engaged in war they are likely to be stubborn-ly steadfast in their convictions, though they be for the moment. "New circumstances have arisen for which the country must prepare itself, not for war, not for aggression, but for na-tional defense. "What is really proposed? It is aston-tishing how many men of straw are set up only to be knocked down. And this nation will not be deceived with threats of danger only imagined. I believe I am proposing a very business like thing. Along with industrial and vocational edu-cation, it is perfectly feasible to instruct the young men of this country in the use Port of employes of the first rank in du Pont plants. "I am firmly convinced that the list of

injured is wrong," he said, "I believe there were more than seven injured and that at least four or five were killed. Of course, the public will never hear about

If. They were probably blown to pieces, as in fires of this kind those nearest the blaze could not possibly escape, and I know men were near the points where these fires started.

"Men are killed and injured daily at these plants and the news is kept from the public. It does not matter to me if I lose my position for having spoken in the young men of this country in the use

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of arms. SPEAKS IN HISTORIC HALL. Memorial Hall was a fitting place for o President's plea for preparedness. It the President's plea for preparedness. It was crected in honor of Pensylvania's sons who gave their lives in the Civil War. Scattered through the crowd were men who had grown rich from the great war munitions induarty. It seemed the Presi-dent fully realized that while talking. As the President and his wife entered and were escorted to the front of the ros-trum a hand in the balcony played the "Star-Spangled, Banner" and the crowd rose to its feet. Mrs. Wilson was ushered in first, ac-

When asked if it were true, as was re-ported, that 400 men gave up their jobs after 6 o'clock. Two hours later two nore buildings destroyed in the today, he sold that among 20,000 workmen there would naturally be some timid ones and that besides the powdermakers were A huge crater is left where

there would naturally be some timid ones and that besides the powdermakers were as a rule rolling stones who went from one place to another in the country get-ting jobs and soon abandoning them, "We can soon fill the places of these thuid ones with red-blooded, better workmen who will not lose their nerve," he added. The officers of the company have given

cials have been unable to confirm this The flames that 200 feet into the air, ac-coving to witnesses. Several employee at Carney's Point today say they saw an aeroplane in the sky over the plant just before the explosion, and that they had seen the same gircraft over the plant two a ys ago.

All the employes agree on the fact that the explesions were not caused by carelessness, and, despite the statements to the contrary by the company, insist they are the result of a well-or plot. They say that men are quitting

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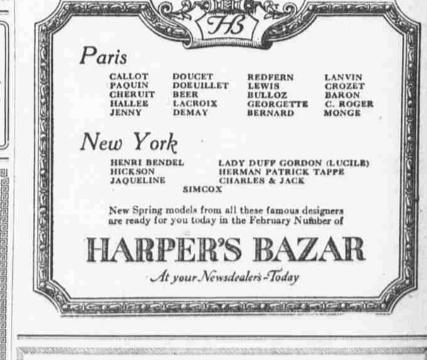
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be merry. Hardly had the last Italian prayer stopped when suddenly there was a big whilling sort of noise, then an explosion, a roar, and then some one at the end of the room let out in a loud voice, 'Another one, hoys, run!' "We didn't look for our things, but just H. Spencer Grover Grace Conkle Ballroom Dancing

We all know that death is mighty near

us all the time down here, but we try to



Weed Sketches the Imperial Russian Troupe

Weed, the famous cartoonist, has sketched Serge de Diaghileff's Imperial Russian Troupe in their vivid portrayal of the Russian Ballet. The sensation of the European capitals, the troupe is now visiting America, showing dances of grace and grotesquerie. Weed watched the ballet on the opening night of its engagement in New York. His flying pencil worked feverishly to catch hints of the bewildering spectacle unfolding itself before him, and his sketches have been reproduced for Sunday's Public Ledger.

