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CHEMICAL PLANT, MAKING WAR AIDS, BLOWN TO ATOMS. Niagara Factory Wrecked by Fire and Blasts Still Unconquered.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., March 8.—The manufacturing plant of the Niagara Electro-Chemical Company is in ruins today as the result of a series of explosions and fire which started shortly after midnight, continued today, and which are not yet quelled.

LOSS MAY BE \$500,000. FEAR NEW EXPLOSIONS.

The first explosion followed an outbreak of fire shortly before midnight, and others occurred intermittently until shortly before 9 o'clock this morning, when a great blast of tremendous force shattered the shell of the burning plant and scattered twisted, flaming debris over a wide area.

JUDGE E. H. GARY INDICTED BY JURY IN WAGES PROBE.

Six Steel Companies Also Accused of Violating Anti-Trust Law. STRIKE CAUSES ACTION.

CONSPIRACY TO LOWER THE PAY OF COMMON LABORERS CHARGED.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., March 8.—Judge Albert H. Gary, chairman of the Board of Directors of the United States Steel Corporation, and six large companies were indicted by the Mahoning County Grand Jury today accused of violation of the anti-trust act, an Ohio law, and with conspiring to keep down the wages of common laborers.

SLUSH FUND PROBES DELVE INTO RECORDS OF BREWERS.

PITTSBURGH, March 8.—Uninterrupted by court proceedings, United States Attorney E. Lowry Himes, with assistant attorneys and Government agents, settled down again today to examine the seized confidential files of the United States Brewers' Association of New York.

TWINING PLAN STIRS FIGHT IN ORGANIZATION.

Director's Suggestions Doomed to Oblivion, Opponents Believe. REPORT EXPECTED TODAY.

Organization Leaders Exchange Verbal Shots.

MAYOR SMITH. "The statement of the senior Senator will be understood by the public to be an attempt to inject politics into a controversy the necessity for which, at this time, is not apparent."

BERLIN EXPLAINS REASON FOR NEW U-BOAT DECREE.

Bernstorff Gives Lansing Note Accusing British of Making Submarine War Necessary. U. S. STAND AIDS FOES.

Germany Asserts Neutral Passengers Allow England to Arm Liners for Offensive Purposes.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The United States today received from Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, a complete detailed explanation of his orders to submarine commanders to sink armed merchantmen without warning.

QUICK NEWS.

LONE BANDIT HOLDS UP BANK—GETS \$2000. ST. PAUL, Minn., March 8.—A masked bandit, riding up to the door of the Security State Bank on horseback this afternoon, robbed that institution of \$2000 after locking the cashier and paying teller in the vault.

U. S.-GERMAN RELATIONS TENSER, LONDON BELIEVES.

LONDON, March 8.—Almost overnight England's view of the German-American situation has undergone a radical change. The belief is growing here that relations between the two countries are growing more tense, and the possibilities of war are being more seriously considered.

A. J. COUNTY NAMED P. R. R. VICE PRESIDENT.

A. J. County, who has been special assistant to President Samuel Rea, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was today made vice president in charge of accounting by the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad at its regular meeting.

CARTER GETS \$2400 POST IN SURVEY BUREAU.

Frank H. Carter, 3710 Locust street, today was appointed an assistant engineer of the Bureau of Surveys at a salary of \$2400 by Director Datesman, of the Department of Public Works.

COLONEL GOETHALS CALLS ON MAYOR SMITH.

Colonel George W. Goethals, Governor of the Panama Canal Zone, in company with Congressman Vare, made a brief call on Mayor Smith today.

ITALIAN KING ON HURRIED TRIP TO ROME.

ROME, March 8.—For the second time since the outbreak of the war, King Victor Emmanuel has returned from the front for a conference with the Ministry. He conferred for several hours with Cabinet officers today, planning to return to army headquarters within a few hours.

SWEDEN DEMANDS GERMANY PAY FOR SHIPS.

COPENHAGEN, March 8.—Sweden has protested to Germany against the towing of a mine field south of Falsterbo, within Swedish territorial waters, according to advices from Stockholm today.

P. R. R. LIFTS EMBARGO IN PART.

The Pennsylvania Railroad today announced that the freight embargo had been lifted in the entire city, with a few exceptions. The exceptions are: Anthracite coal for the Washington avenue district; coastwise freight for the Clyde Line, and for the Merchant and Miners' Boston Line, and freight for public storehouses for which there is still an accumulation of cars enroute.

DR. J. WILLIAM WHITE SUFFERS RELAPSE.

Dr. J. William White, who was thought to be recovering from the effects of an operation several months ago, has suffered a relapse at his home, 1810 Rittenhouse Square. Doctor White was removed from the University Hospital to his home to greet Colonel Theodore Roosevelt upon the latter's last visit to this city.

SIX SOUTHERN ROADS LOSE TEXAS RATE CASE.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The Interstate Commerce Commission decided today that rates on through freight from all points in the United States to Louisiana and Texas violate the long and short haul law and denied the application of six Southern railroads to maintain these rates.

PORTUGAL SEIZES FOUR GERMAN LINERS.

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Portuguese East Africa, March 8.—Four Hamburg-American liners that have been here since the war began were taken over by the Portuguese Government today.

FIND EVIDENCE ZEPPELIN WAS DAMAGED.

LONDON, March 8.—The broken piece of a Zeppelin propeller was picked up in the County of Kent today. It is believed that one of the dirigibles that bombarded Kent and other counties Sunday night was struck and damaged by a shell from an anti-aircraft gun.

SNOWBALED, HE WANTED TO SHOOT THE "KIDS".

A desire to shoot some schoolboys who threw snowballs at him caused Joseph Estocico, 23, of 4226 Merion avenue, to be held in \$500 bail for court today by Magistrate Stevenson, of the 61st and Thompson streets police station.

MARKET STREET BUILDING DAMAGED BY FIRE.

A \$7000 fire destroyed the two upper floors of the five-story building at 311 Market street early today. The fire burned rapidly, lighting up adjoining streets for several squares, but was put out in half an hour.

GERMAN ATTACK ON BELFORT NEAR, SAYS MILAN.

LONDON, March 8.—A Milan dispatch to the London Daily Telegraph says: "Suspicious that when the Germans find further progress against Verdun hopeless they may attempt a new diversion against Belfort, is confirmed by news from the Swiss Border. There numerous reconnoitering flights of German airplanes over the Belfort territory have been observed.

FRESH SNOWSTORM BRINGS MORNING PALL OF DARKNESS.



So dense was the gloom that settled over the city shortly before 11 a. m. that artificial light was generally resorted to and office buildings twinkled with the lights seen ordinarily only at dusk. This is a view looking southwest from the United Gas Improvement Company's Building.

NUOVE TRUPPE INVIAE DALL'ITALIA A VALONA.

Il Generale Piacentini Comanda le Forze Italiane in Albania. Si Attende l'Attacco.

Le forze italiane che difendono la base navale sulla costa albanese meridionale, cioè Valona, sono state recentemente rafforzate da nuove truppe inviate colà, come afferma un dispaccio da Roma.

Machinists Vote to Strike.

FRANKLIN, Pa., March 8.—Machinists employed by the Chicago Pneumatic Tool and the Colburn Machine Tool Companies' Supply Companies today voted unanimously for a strike. They demanded a 20 per cent increase in wages, an eight-hour day and better shop conditions.

SLAVS LOSE TRENCHES IN TARNOPOL REGION.

Austrians Capture 1000 Yards. Occupy Vacated Positions.

BERLIN, March 8.—Capture of 1000 yards of trenches from the Russians northwest of Tarnopol was announced in an official statement from the Austrian War Office, telegraphed here today.

MORGENTHAU TO RESIGN IF WILSON WILLS IT.

Ambassador Ready to Remain Here if President Needs Him.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The belief prevailed in official circles today that Ambassador Henry Morgenthau would resign his post to serve President Wilson during the coming presidential campaign.

FARMER KILLS CHILD; THINKS GIRL BURGLAR.

Mistaking Foster Daughter for Thief, Man Fires Fatal Shot.

WASHINGTON, Pa., March 8.—Mistaking seven-year-old foster-daughter, Della, for a burglar Arthur Gray, a wealthy farmer residing at Zediker, a few miles east of here, shot and killed the child last night.

Littitz Votes \$95,000 School Bonds.

LANCASTER, Pa., March 8.—By an overwhelming vote, Littitz has authorized the Borough School Board to issue \$95,000 in bonds for the purpose of erecting a handsome schoolhouse in which all of the borough schools will be located.

THE WEATHER.

This will be somewhat of a potpourri day in the way of weather. If the wind holds we're promised "fits" of snow, and rain, and hail all—"promised"—just as if folks are "good." Old Man Weather will give them everything he has.

FORECAST.

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Show this afternoon; clearing and cooler tonight; Thursday fair; strong westerly winds.

LOST AND FOUND.

BARRETT—Lost, Monday, a pearl and diamond necklace while shopping. Reward if returned to 2124 Spring Garden St. Phone 2210.