

MAN BOILS SHELL; DIES IN HOSPITAL

Former Policeman-Soldier's Curiosity Over War Relic Causes Fatal Explosion

SISTER BURNED AND CUT

A former soldier-policeman is dead and his sister seriously injured, following the explosion of a French "Securite" shell in the kitchen of his home last night.

The dead man is: Harry C. Robbins, thirty years old, of 2407 North Twenty-eighth street.

The injured: Marie Robbins, seventeen years old, burns, lacerations and shock.

Robbins died in the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital this morning from a fractured skull, internal injuries, burns and shrapnel wounds of the abdomen.

Robbins, who is a former policeman, was recently discharged from military police duty at Camp Meade. He had received the shell from a friend who went to France.

After making several attempts to render the shell harmless, he decided last night to extract the bullets by a boiling process. He pulled away portions of the shell after uncracking the brass cap, and shortly after 8 o'clock placed the shell in a teakettle on the gas stove.

Robbins was hurled through the kitchen doorway and into the yard. The explosion threw his mother, Mrs. Henrietta Robbins, who was upstairs to the floor, rocked the neighborhood and shattered the windows of the house and parts of the walls in the kitchen.

C. A. C. SENDS TRAIN HERE

Will Give Demonstrations for Victory Loan on Saturday

A unique Victory Loan "train" will be given on Saturday, when the coast artillery corps of the army will bring its special Victory Loan Train No. 1 to Philadelphia and demonstrate throughout the day the various activities of the corps.

The train has been touring the eastern half of the country since April 12, when it left Fort Monmouth, its headquarters. It is under command of Lieutenant Colonel Sturges and has a personnel of more than 100 officers and men, all of whom are overseas men and who will wear complete overseas equipment during the demonstration.

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"PERSHING'S OWN BAND" MEN HERE; ALL SERVED AT FRONT

First Performance at Noon Today, Followed by Afternoon and Night Programs to Boost Loan

"Pershing's Own Band," composed of men picked from all the bands of the American forces overseas, men who fought, carried ammunition and took care of the wounded, as well as playing, gives three concerts in this city today for the Victory Loan.

The first performance from noon to 1 o'clock is at the Victory statue, South Penn square. The second will be given at the Stetson athletic field, from 5 to 6 o'clock. The third will be at Fifty-second and Chestnut streets, from 8 to 9 o'clock this evening.

Captain Louis H. Fisher, leader of the band, and the 102 members here were selected from every American division abroad, after stiff competitive examinations.

Every man in the organization, Captain Fisher asserts, saw active front-line service, fighting, carrying ammunition, transporting the wounded, and burying the dead.

Professional Musicians Their active service at the front was prior to the formation of "Pershing's Own Band," and while they were still attached to regimental bands. All the members of the organization were professional musicians before joining the army.

Four of the members are Philadelphia shub. Sergeant Charles J. McKeown was in a theatre orchestra here, Jacob Uhl, first class musician, led a local hotel orchestra; Corporal Francisco Di Polli lived here while not on tour with a widely known orchestra, and Sergeant Edward Pozzella resided here.

When the committee signed, Captain Fisher says, General Pershing conceived the idea of assembling the finest possible band from all the bands of the American forces. Bandmasters were ordered to Paris, where Walter Damrosch examined them. Captain Fisher was selected to lead the new organization.

Then the five best men from each regimental band was sent to division headquarters for examination. From this winning process the five best musicians in each division were sent to Paris where the final selections were made.

When the band personnel was completed, General Pershing ordered it to play at all the brilliant ceremonies held in honor of heroic officers and men. "Pershing's Own," as it was speedily dubbed, played before the King of Wales, Field Marshal Haig, the British commander, and Albert, King of the Belgians.

Captain Fisher exploded a belief that the army bandmen are held safely at the rear while their fighting comrades are attacking enemy lines or crossing heavily shelled trenches. The captain said the instruments of the bandmen are left behind when an action begins.

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Wearers of "Lorraine Cross," Many From Penna., Move Into Embarkation Area

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EARLY AMERICAN ART TALK

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MAN DIES BY POISON WHILE UNDER ARREST

Chauffeur, Arrested With Little Girl, Took Deadly Tablets on Way to Station

Lester Leary, Spring Garden street near Twentieth first, died in the Proskerville Hospital early today from poison he swallowed when arrested on a charge made by a five-year-old girl. He was twenty-eight years old.

Leary was arrested on a vacant lot at Thirtieth street and Powelton avenue by Patrolman Mixer, of the Thirtieth street and Lancaster avenue station.

The police believe Leary took poison tablets while he and the little girl were being taken to the station house. After he reached there, Leary told the police he had poisoned himself.

Patrolman Mixer was called to the lot by two young men. The yard they had seen Leary, across the little girl near her home, which is in the neighborhood of Twentieth and Spring Garden streets. He offered her candy and then walked with her through Fairmount Park. The young men followed until they met Mixer.

Leary had been employed as a chauffeur and formerly lived in Brooklyn.

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VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE

QUOTA OF 9 TRADE DIVISIONS PASSED IN VICTORY LOAN DRIVE

Director of the War Loan Organization Issues Victory Call to All Patriotic Citizens of This District

The blue mark of victory has been painted over nine of the long red lines denoting quotas of trade divisions on the big chart of the Victory Liberty Loan Industrial Organization. This means that to date but 13 per cent of the 144 trade divisions have gone over the top with only three working days left in the campaign.

Group No. 6, Frank Croft, chairman, holds the distinction of having the largest number of divisions over the top so far with four. Groups 13, Nicholas P. Lloyd, chairman, and 2, Charles J. Webb, chairman, have two divisions each over the top. The list of divisions which have reached their quotas follows:

GROUP 2—Cotton Spinners and Dressing, Arthur W. Stone, Chairman, \$290,000

GROUP 3—J. Tape, Binding, Towels and Laundry, John P. Nease, Chairman, 200,000

GROUP 4—Light Jobbers, Pipe Makers and Carpenters, Nelson F. Eberbach, Chairman, 125,000

GROUP 6—D. Confectioners, Joseph C. Karbach, Chairman, 615,000

GROUP 6-1—Brewers, H. A. Pott, Chairman, 482,000

GROUP 6-2—Retail Lumber Dealers, \$137,000

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