

EXPLOSION KILLS TWENTY-FIVE MEN

Disaster Occurred in Joseph
Leiter's Famous Coal Mine
At Zeigler, Illinois.

ONLY ITALIAN BOY SURVIVED.

Spark from Trolley Pole of Electric
Motor Coming in Contact With
Gas Given as the Cause.

Duquoin, Jan. 10.—A disastrous
gas explosion, in which 25 men lost
their lives, occurred at an early hour
this morning in Joseph Leiter's famous
colliery at Zeigler. A spark from a
trolley pole of an electric motor
coming into contact with a pocket
of gas is assigned as the cause of the
explosion.

THE DEAD

Willis Warner,
Albert Kerr,
James Patterson,
Joe Richardson,
Fred Morgan,
J. O. Evans,
Joe Taft,
James Phillips,
John Cassidy,
Aaron Jettell,
Thomas Hubbard,
C. P. Tucker,
Charles Smithers.
The Americans killed in the explo-
sion included 13 above named and
eight bodies remain in the mine.
Mr. Leiter personally conducted the
first relief party into the mine. The
last survivor of the explosion was an
Italian youth, who escaped harm.
An expert, who had been experi-
menting with the gases in the mines
at Zeigler, said he had placed the
mine in a safe position to be operat-
ed.

The men were engaged in clearing
away the debris caused by the recent
fires in the mine, and it was expected
that operations would be resumed this
week after two months' suspension.
The bodies taken from the mine are
badly burned and identification is dif-
ficult. Twenty-six men entered the
mine on the night shift and the names
of the victims are taken from the pay-
roll.

The explosion was peculiar. No
noise or shock was heard or felt at
the opening of the shaft, only a puff
of smoke being noticeable. The en-
gineer noticed the smoke and realiz-
ing that an accident had occurred
summoned aid.

The mine had recently been on fire
and the flames had been sealed and
confined to workings which were not
in the vicinity of the present explo-
sion.

Mrs. Leiter assisted her husband in
quieting the widows and orphans who
crowded about the mine. She fur-
nished coffee and sandwiches to the
men while they were attempting to
recover the bodies.

The day was bitterly cold, but Mrs.
Leiter was foremost in comforting the
widows.

The coroner has adjourned the hear-
ing until tomorrow. The mine was
put in operation in 1893 and soon
after labor troubles began. In April,
1895, an explosion in the mine killed
51 men.

The interior of the mine was not
damaged and the bodies of the men
there is scarcely a trace of the explo-
sion which proved most deadly to
the men working below.

Joseph Husband, an intimate friend
of Mr. Leiter, who has been the lat-
est's guest at Zeigler for the past week,
was overcome by gas in attempting
to rescue bodies and was with consid-
erable difficulty revived.

VENEZUELA'S AMBITION.

It is to Resume Old Time Friendly
Relations With All Nations.

Paris, Jan. 10.—Jose de P. Paul, spe-
cial envoy of Venezuela, arrived here
this evening from Bordeaux and was
warmly greeted by a score of Venezue-
lans. Speaking of the relations be-
tween Venezuela and the United States,
M. Paul said:

"Venezuela hopes and expects to re-
sume old-time friendly connections and
propose to settle satisfactorily all
questions pending between the two
countries. The arrival of the American
representative, Mr. Belmont, at Car-
acas is an important step in this
direction."

M. Paul considered the reestablishment
of the French policy the most im-
portant step in the resumption of
diplomatic relations with England. He
declared that the downfall of the re-
sult of a conflict between the country's
ambition to carry on peaceful national
and foreign policies and the policy of
Castro, which were rapidly jeopardiz-
ing Venezuelan independence.

"What was the real cause of Castro's
fall?" M. Paul was asked.

"It was brought about," replied the

ANOTHER WOMAN CURED

By Lydia E. Pinkham's
Vegetable Compound

Gardiner, Maine.—"I have been a
great sufferer from organic troubles
and a severe female
weakness. The
doctor said I would
have to go to the
hospital for an
operation, but I
could not bear to
think of it. I de-
cided to try Lydia
E. Pinkham's Vege-
table Compound and
Saturative Wash
and was entirely
cured after three
months' use of them."—Mrs. S. A.
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ant, buoyant female health. If you
are ill, for your own sake as well as
those you love, give it a trial.

Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass.,
invites all sick women to write
her for advice. Her advice is free,
and always helpful.

envoy, "by the necessity of averting a
revolution. It must be remembered
that Holland practically abrogated its
treaty of 1848, whereby she had un-
dertaken to prohibit traffic in arms and
prevent filibustering expeditions and
revolutionary outbreaks. Having thus
abrogated the treaty, the presence of
Holland's warships would have render-
ed it impossible to stop filibustering."
Castro's present standing in Venez-
uela, M. Paul said, "is that of a
man opposed to his country's aspira-
tions. Venezuelans are weary of one
man's domination."

M. Paul expects to open negotiations
with the French government within a
few days.

McFARLAND AND OTTO TO MEET.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 11.—As man-
ager of the Jeffries Athletic club of
this city, Baron Long has secured the
signature of Harry Gilmore, the man-
ager for Rocky McFarland, to articles
siding for a 30 pound fight early in
February between Rocky McFarland
and Young Otto. Gilmore posted \$1,000
to back McFarland in the match,
and for his appearance in the ring
at the time agreed upon and the
weight, and to go afterwards as a
side bet to cover a smaller sum that
Otto has posted in New York.

TO PROTECT PEOPLE AND PROPERTY AT MESSINA

Messina, Jan. 10.—Gen. Mazza has
adopted stringent measures to protect
the people and property. In addition
to establishing a police service around
the city he has issued orders that any
person found excavating without a per-
mit shall be shot. Gen. Mazza declares
that under the guise of recovery many
thieves were committing robberies.

Sanitary conditions have greatly im-
proved and it is now believed that there
is little danger of the spread of the
disease.

The American relief ship Bayard, fly-
ing the Red Cross flag, arrived Friday.
A small amount of clothing was sent
on the Bayard, a considerable and the re-
mains of the stores are being dis-
tributed to ports along the south coast.
One of the relief parties on the
Bayard, Nelson Gray, of Boston, was in-
jured during the voyage. One of his
arms is fractured.

The United States supply ship Cutlog,
which arrived from Port Said on Fri-
day, carried 139 tons of provisions and
was well stocked with blankets and
wearing apparel. The stores were sent
ashore and distributed.

HUDSON-FULTON CELEBRATION.

New York, Jan. 11.—A new feature
has been added to the plans in con-
nection with the Hudson-Fulton cele-
bration to be held here next September.
Committees have been appointed by
the Aero club and the Aeronautical so-
ciety to arrange for an exhibition of
flying machines and balloons during the
celebration.

It is probable that several govern-
mental warships will be entered.

PRESIDENT AND SENATOR TILLMAN

Disclosures in Oregon Land Deal
Cause Much Comment and
Discussion at Capitol.

IS SOME DISSATISFACTION.

Over Manner in Which Material Gathered
by Postoffice Inspectors and
Secret Service Men Made Public.

Washington, Jan. 10.—No subject has
been discussed recently at the Capitol
with such fervor as President Roose-
velt's disclosure of Senator Tillman's
alleged connection with an Oregon land
deal, but the colleagues of the South
Carolinian are inclined to withhold
judgment until he has an opportunity
to explain. He will address the senate
tomorrow.

Many expressions of dissatisfaction
are heard because of the manner in
which the president made public the
material gathered by postoffice inspec-
tors and secret service men. It is pointed
out by senators that the matter sent
to Senator Hale was not in response to
the latter's request to the heads of the
executive departments for a statement
of the operations of the secret service,
but as the investigation of Senator Til-
lman's alleged efforts to obtain Oregon
lands was wholly under the postoffice
department and was prosecuted by the
inspectors of that department. One
senator expressed the opinion
that as the president had had in his
possession for several months the in-
formation gathered about Senator Til-
lman it was his duty to investigate a
prosecution if he believed the facts
warranted action.

It was rumored today that the presi-
dent had told a friend that an effort
was made by Senators Hale and Ald-
rich to suppress the facts about Sena-
tor Tillman. Undoubtedly this impres-
sion was gained at the White House by
a visit to the president by Mr. Hale,
who suggested that the matter relat-
ing to Mr. Tillman should be with-
drawn. It is said that the Maine sena-
tor did not base the request upon the
ground that it was not properly a reply
to the demand for information about
the second service, but because of the
fact that Senator Tillman is in poor
health and the charge was liable to
rouse him to a pitch of excitement dan-
gerous to his life.

President Roosevelt declined to with-
draw the reference to Mr. Tillman, and
when Senator Hale would not make it
public he decided to do so himself.

There is no question that the con-
dition of Senator Tillman's health is
serious. When he went to Europe last
March he was in a highly nervous
state. The trip resulted in marked im-
provement, but his friends have noticed
that his nervousness was returning.
Some of the senators who have ex-
amined the evidence say the offense was
one of inpropriety and indiscre-
tion, but that no criminality is in-
volved. It was said that Mr. Tillman
might have introduced his resolution
calling upon the department of jus-
tice to begin proceedings to compel the
sale of the Oregon lands at \$2.50 per
acre in accordance with the original
land grant and at the same time mak-
ing himself a target for criticism.

The feature of the disclosure most
deplorable by Tillman's colleagues is the
appearance of an effort to hide the fact
that he was an applicant for nine
million sections under the terms of
the original grant. In his statement
last February the senator said he had
not bought any western land, nor had
he "undertaken to buy any."

The evidence submitted by the presi-
dent shows that prior to this statement
Mr. Tillman had made application for
nine quarter-sections. Defending him-
self against the appearance of hav-
ing made a misleading statement, Sena-
tor Tillman told his friends today
that he should have said on the floor
that he had not "contracted" to buy
any land, and that the whole case
against him had been built upon the
interpretation placed upon the word
"undertaken."

CHARGES AGAINST ROOT FORMULATED

Washington State Bar Association
Committee Finds Him Guilty of
Gross Impropriety.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 10.—The State
Bar association committee, appointed
to investigate the conduct of Judge
Milo A. Root, who resigned as a judge
of the supreme court two months ago,
made its report today. Judge Root was
elected at the recent election for an-
other term of six years. His recent
resignation affected only the term to
which he was elected two years ago.
If he fails to qualify Monday, Jan. 11,
the office will be declared vacant.

The committee finds that Judge Root
has been guilty of gross impropriety,
which unfits him for the supreme court
bench. The report, which is a long
document, makes these findings of
fact and conclusions and recommendations.

"That Judge Root had correspond-
ence with M. J. Gordon, attorney for
the Great Northern Railway company,
concerning money transactions.

"That Judge Root accepted from the
Great Northern, from Gordon and other
railroads, free transportation.

"That Judge Root filed an opinion ver-
bal draft of an opinion dictated by
M. J. Gordon, attorney for the Great
Northern, in the case of Harris against
the railroad company.

"The committee is unable to obtain
any facts to substantiate the rumors
of the giving out of advance informa-
tion concerning the decisions of the
supreme court.

"The committee is unable to obtain
any facts to substantiate rumors of
bribery and corruption.

"The committee holds that the con-
duct of Judge Root in receiving free
transportation is highly censurable.

"The conduct of Judge Root in the
Harris case is characterized as a gross
breach of judicial propriety.

not, the supreme court and the State
Bar association will then confer to
reach a basis for further action or
proceeding.

PROFESSOR COMMITS SUICIDE

Clark Tansy Who Taught Greek and
Latin in Lawrence School.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 10.—Clark Tansy,
professor of Greek and Latin at the
Lawrence preparatory school, com-
mitted suicide late last night by shoot-
ing himself. He was a graduate of the
University of Kentucky and of Oxford
university, being a Rhodes scholar at
the latter institution until last June. It
is believed he was suffering from ex-
haustion. Professor Tansy was a resident
of Hopkinsville, Ky.

BOY OF TEN CHARGED WITH ROBBING BANK

Joplin, Mo., Jan. 10.—Charged with
looting the Noel State bank of Noel,
McDonald county, 40 miles south of
here, Oliver P. Billings, aged 16, was
arrested here today by Sheriff Tom
Carnell, after a five weeks' chase.
The boy entered the bank through a
rear window while Cashier Kiesler was
at his desk, and he looted the cash
drawer of its entire contents, \$192. Out
of proportion to his precocious years,
the boy, in his confession, bragged of
taking the money and hiding it under
a set of wagon scales.
The boy stated he was given a nickel
by a man to execute the burglary, but
this is refuted by Sheriff Carnell.

GOVERNMENT INSPECTION SERVICE VERY EXPENSIVE

Washington, Jan. 10.—Representa-
tive Tawney of Minnesota said today
that the investigation introduced in the
house providing for the appointment
of a special committee of five to in-
vestigate the inspection methods of the
government does not contemplate, as
has been stated, an inquiry concerning
the operations of the secret service.
His desire is to arrive at the facts
concerning the appointment of special
agents and inspectors aside from the
secret service bureau.

Mr. Tawney points out the fact that
while in 1896 only 165 of such employ-
ees were carried on the roll at a cost
of \$1,000,000, by 1907 the number had
grown to 1,000 and the expenses to the
government to \$8,000,000.

MORE TROUBLE IN PERSIA.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—A dispatch received
from Teheran, says the leader of the
Bakhtiari tribesmen has occupied Ispa-
han and issued a proclamation calling
upon the people to elect representatives
to an independent legislature.
Prince Firman Firman, in command of
the government troops, is being sent
against Isapahan. The situation there
is regarded as most serious. The seces-
sion of Isapahan is considered as final
and the political status there is similar
to that at Tabriz.

BURGARS KILL CITY MARSHAL.

Macon, Mo., Jan. 10.—In a fight
with the burglars today, Marshal H. B.
Rickey of Clarence, a town east of
Macon, was shot and killed and his
son Sam was wounded. Poles are
searching for the burglars. Rickey
has located lost which had been hid-
den and with his son waited for the
men. They opened fire on the of-
ficer and his son and Rickey return-
ed the fire until he fell.

ATLANTIC FLEET HAS WON WORLD'S ADMIRATION

Washington, Jan. 10.—By its globe-
circling cruise the Atlantic battleship
fleet of the American navy has won the
admiration of the people of all coun-
tries and those who have not had an
opportunity to view the ships under
command of Rear Admiral Sperry are
endeavoring to have the warships visit
their countries. Invitations from sea-
port cities in countries of the north of
Europe have reached Washington, ex-
tending all kinds of courtesies to the
fleet. To these the navy department
has been compelled to reply that it is
impossible to change the prearranged
itinerary which carries the fleet to
reach Hampton Roads on Wash-
ington's birthday, and be reviewed by
President Roosevelt.

INSANE FROM STARVATION.

New York, Jan. 11.—A man who was
picking up objects on the sidewalks of
Broadway yesterday and eating them
was noticed by a policeman who took
him to a police station. At Bellevue
hospital, where he was sent from the
police station, the doctors said that
the man was insane from starvation
and that he had not recovered. The
man is an Austrian miner from the
Pennsylvania coal fields and can speak
but little English. He was picking up
crumbs in the street to stop, if he
could, the gnawings of hunger until he
could join the "bread line."

STAGE'S INFLUENCE ON MORALS.

New York, Jan. 11.—Speaking of the
great influence which the stage exerts
over the nation's morality, a power
greater, in his opinion, than that of
the church, Augustus Thomas, the
playwright, emphasizes the necessity of
actors and actresses leading pure and
upright lives. Mr. Thomas contends
that the teachings of the stage are so
vivid and leave such an impression on
the mind that they outweigh in impor-
tance the teachings of the church, which
he thinks, after all, not compre-
hended by the average person.

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\$5,000, \$10,000 and multiples of \$10,000. Coupon bonds
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The average net income of the Company for four years has been fully double the fixed
charges—interest, rentals, etc.—and the surplus income during the same period has averaged
over four times the annual interest on the bonds now offered.

Dividends of five per cent. per annum have been paid since 1901 on substantially the
amount of preferred stock now outstanding, \$45,770,800.

During the last twelve years the tonnage of the railway lines has increased about
242%; gross earnings per mile of road have practically doubled; and expenditures from
Profit and Loss and Income for improvements and additions have averaged over \$1,000,000
per year.

The subscription will be closed at 3 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday,
January 12, 1909, or earlier, without notice, and the right is reserved to
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