

## NEW EXPLOSION ROCKS RUINS OF MORRO CASTLE

Blast Hurls Debris High Into Air: May Finish Off Fire Destruction.

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ASBURY PARK, N. J., Sept. 10.—By a new explosion, the charred hulk of the S. S. Morro Castle today defied efforts of investigators to penetrate within her twisted frame, and threatened to crack up within a few hundred feet of shore.

The explosion sent debris high in the air, and may have completed the work of destruction. It was certain that not a living being remained on shipboard.

At noon the estimated death toll stood at 177.

The Morro Castle's timbers had crumbled away. Its plates and beams were buckled and warped. It was still a smoldering, seething mass of unmanageable metal, having burned continuously since it caught fire Saturday morning with 558 persons aboard.

Continues to Blaze

Coast guardsmen and rescue workers watched for more bodies, flung up by the unfriendly breakers all along the north shore. Two more bodies floated in at dawn. Coast guardsmen recovered one of them. The other was wedged in rocks and could not be reached at once.

Throughout the night, like a fitting beacon, the Morro Castle continued to blaze. Thick smoke at times obscured her bulk. But at dawn she loomed up, dramatically near the thousands of curiosity seekers who lined the beach and the pier. Not a square foot of her was left untouched by the flames.

The heaviest explosion, which occurred at 6:45 a. m., appeared to be directly amidships. It was accompanied by a great cloud of smoke from the blackened funnel.

Smaller Blasts Reported

Several smaller explosions had been reported at intervals during the night, and were believed to be from pent-up gases in the water-tight compartments.

Several times the crash of metal beams, giving way and thundering through the torn decks, could be heard.

Firemen, almost exhausted from their battle, continued their attempts to cool the smoking structure, but the ship was still dangerously hot and extended surveys of her interior were impossible.

A dispute over the jurisdiction of the Morro Castle's hull between insurance underwriters and the Ward Line, was settled after a morning conference between the officials. The underwriters withdrew their claims to the wreckage, and the line took full charge of further salvage operations.

City firemen planned to go aboard the hulk this afternoon in an attempt to extinguish the blaze, still burning over the forward part of the ship.

30 Bodies Still on Board

A coast guard officer who refused to let his name be known said he believed as many as thirty bodies still were on board the vessel. Rescue workers were planning to make another attempt to board the ship this afternoon, but unless the wreckage cools, it was considered unlikely they could get below decks.

Questions as to why the passengers might not have remained aboard the Morro Castle, since Chief Officer William F. Warms and several of his men stayed aboard and were rescued, were answered by one look at the blazing hulk. Warms and his men were cut off by flames from the remainder of the ship and huddled on deck above the fire-castle, the metal plates warping and buckling beneath them.

**USING TELEPHONE FOR ALARM CLOCK COSTLY**

Clerk Fired \$25 After Using Pay Instrument Free.

By United Press  
SHEFFIELD, Sept. 10.—Frederick Roadhouse was fined \$25 for using the automatic telephone as an inexpensive alarm clock.

One of Frederick's duties was to wake his employer every morning. His method was to go into a telephone box, insert two pennies and dial his employer's number; this caused the bell in his employer's house to start ringing. Frederick let it ring for a few minutes and then he pressed button "B," which rang his bell.

The police court was full of awed admirers of this simple and yet effective system, but the magistrate fined him for "fraudulently consuming electricity."

**CANADIAN PREMIER TO VISIT GENEVA SESSION**

Official Urged to Attend Meeting of League of Nations.

By United Press  
OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 10.—Premier R. B. Bennett of Canada may attend the conferences of the League of Nations for the first time when it assembles at Geneva next month.

The premier is being urged to go to the league's assembly in September because he has never been there and also because of the importance of the discussions to be held this year.

**'TRIPLE CALLA LILY' IS EXHIBITED IN WEST**

Unique Flower Has Three Petals Instead of Single Spathe.

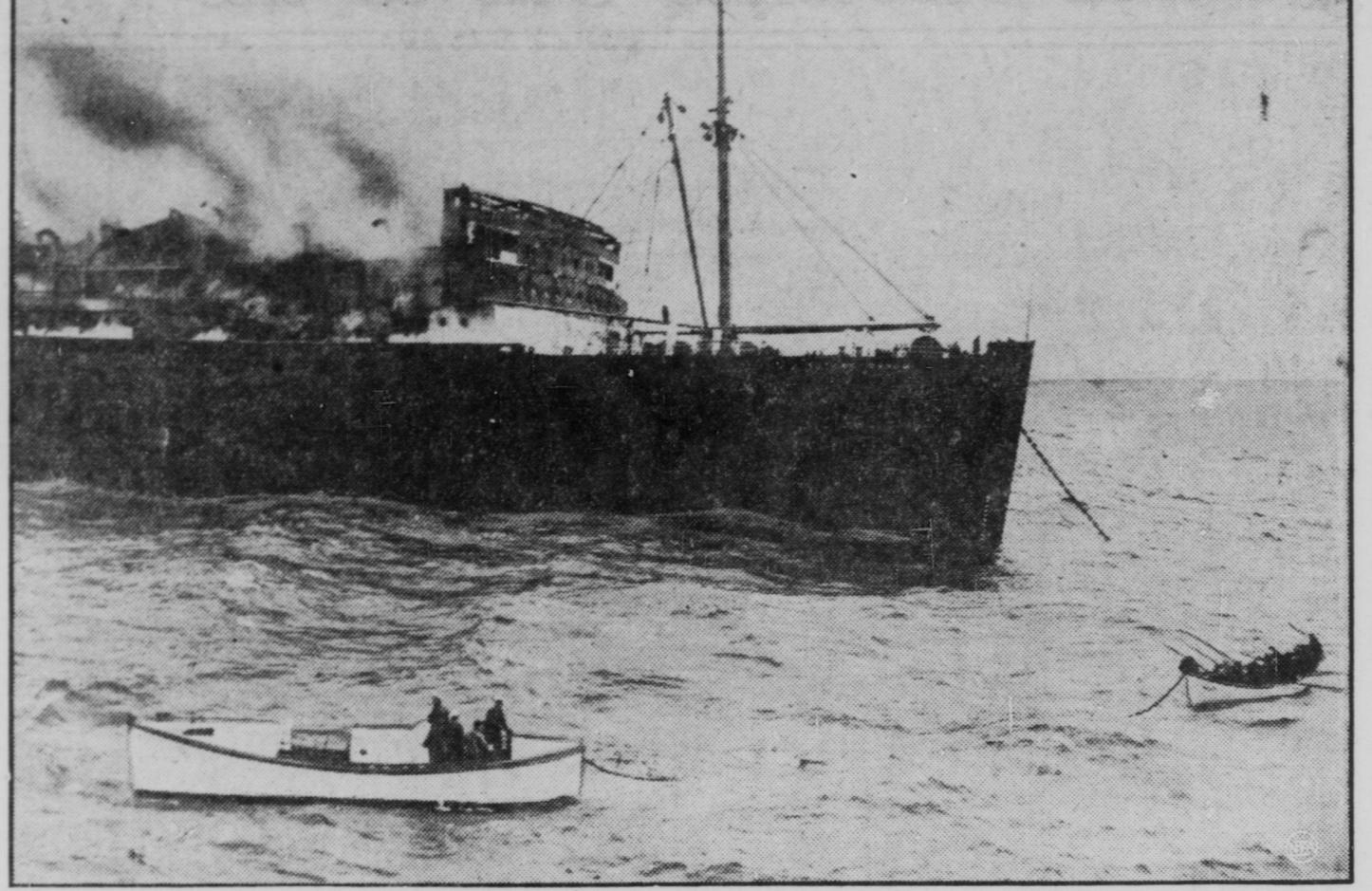
By United Press  
HAYWARD, Cal., Sept. 10.—The Dionne family isn't the only one that's doubling, tripling or quadrupling this year.

Mrs. Hulda Stukaloff of Tennyson exhibited a "triple calla lily" that grew in her lower bed recently. The lily, instead of having the usual single white spathe (petal) had three petals clustered around a single yellow spadix.

Case Conference Held

Conference in the case of Melville S. Cohn, former official of the defunct Meyer-Kiser bank who was convicted several weeks ago on embezzlement charges, was to be held this afternoon by attorneys and Special Judge Alexander G. Cavin.

## ONE BOAT GETS AWAY SAFELY FROM FLAMING MORRO CASTLE



This remarkable air view shows a lifeboat, heavily loaded, pulling away from the doomed Ward liner, Morro Castle, destroyed by fire with a loss of almost 200 lives off the New Jersey coast. Smoke and flames billow from the ill-fated craft as the boat takes to the water, later to be picked up by one of the many rescue ships that rushed to the scene of the disaster, after it was towed away from the wreck by the launch in the foreground.

## RICHBERG GIVES FINAL REPORT

NRA Official Finds New Deal Cost Small for Gain Shown.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—Donald R. Richberg in his seventh and final survey on what the New Deal has done to date balanced today benefits and costs and reported to President Roosevelt that the price had been small "for such a gain."

At the same time he expressed disappointment that the number of unemployed continued as high and the relief burden so heavy. Despite all unfavorable factors, he said, the nation is making headway in its fight against depression.

Here are the credits and debits presented in the seven reports:

### Credits

More than four million re-employed by private industry.

More than four million given temporary jobs.

More than 657,000 given public works jobs.

Farm income increased by one billion dollars.

Farm prices of seven basic commodities raised to 95 per cent of pre-war parity, partly due to drought.

Loans and grants to relieve financial distress total \$5,000,000,000, and \$2,000,000 already repaid.

Banking system rehabilitated.

A million farm and city homes saved from foreclosure.

### Debits

Five million families expected to need relief this winter.

Relief costs reach high of \$128,000 monthly.

Unemployed totals unknown, but 15,000 work applications to federal and state agencies in last year.

International trade demoralization handicapping agricultural recovery.

Russian trade negotiations suspended.

Purchasing power still subnormal.

One urgent need cited was adequate machinery for dealing with labor disputes.

## Two Killed in Traffic Crash; Services Are Set

Deaths Raise 1934 County Toll to 87; Deaf Mute Succumbs.

By United Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 10.—The Faye New case today was listed among Birmingham's unsolved murders. Harold Taylor, 28-year-old son of a former city controller, was acquitted yesterday of murder charges in Faye's brutal slaying on Aug. 20.

The jury, mostly Birmingham businessmen, considered the case for twenty-five hours. Taylor had steadfastly denied that he slashed the college girl athlete's throat "to seal her lips" after she repulsed his amorous advances.

**JUNIOR C. OF C. TO HOLD PARLEY HERE**

State Group to Convene for Three Days.

The Indiana Junior Chamber of Commerce will begin a three-day convention Friday in the Lincoln.

Directors of the organization will meet and registration will start Friday with a housewarming scheduled for early delegates.

Business sessions, selection of the 1934 convention and election of officers will feature Saturday's meeting.

A day show will be held at noon Saturday for women accompanying their husbands to the convention, at the Indianapolis Athletic Club. A swimming party at the athletic club will be one of the entertainment features of the day with the annual dinner at night in the Lincoln ballroom.

Wasson entered the United States army at Fort Vancouver, Wash., as a tuba player, he told the judge. The regiment's regular tuba player, a corporal, took a furlough.

"They liked my playing and made me first tuba player," said Wasson. But the corporal, on his return, was disgruntled to find that his substitute had performed so well.

"He always was riding me, your honor, and I went over the hill from the army and did time at Fort Leavenworth prison," Army deserter led to auto-stealing, he said.

Wasson will do from one to three years in the Washington reformatory.

Dr. John G. Benson will be the principal speaker.

Sunday the directors of the state body will meet. A parade and tour of the city will follow the business session.

Robert Taylor, Evansville, is president of the organization. Other officers are: William Shively, Ft. Wayne, first vice-president; Robert Kirby, Indianapolis, second vice-president, and Rufus Putnam, Evansville, secretary-treasurer.

**47 YEARS IN OFFICE, OFFICIAL WILL RETIRE**

Wisconsin Man Served His City as First Treasurer.

By United Press

MARINETTE, Wis., Sept. 10.—With the completion of forty-seven years of public service, Peter H. McAllister, 78, Manitowoc's first treasurer, will retire from public office.

The sessions are expected to require the entire week, with night meetings in the Athenaeum planned.

**SIGNATURE DEVICE USED IN RELIEF BOND ISSUE**

Machine Saves Officials Trouble of Signing 720 Securities.

By United Press

CLEVELAND, Sept. 10.—Four Cuyahoga county officials traveled 140 miles to Pittsburgh to save themselves the trouble of signing their names 720 times. They went to sign 800 \$1,000 selective sales tax bonds for poor relief. A signature machine in Pittsburgh saved them the task of signing more than eighty times each.

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**KILLER SUSPECT HUNTED**

City Police Seek Kentucky Jail-Breaker Here.

By United Press

Local police were conducting a search today for Howard D. Bice, alleged murderer, who escaped from the Campbell county (Ky.) jail early today.

Authorities from Newport, Ky., requested Indianapolis police to be on the lookout for the fugitive, because they had information that he might attempt to reach this city.

**VICTIM BALKS THIEVES ROBBING OIL STATION**

Operator Locked Up, But Caught Bulk of Money in Pocket.

By United Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 10.—When robbers held up Thomas Healy and locked him in the back room of his filling station, they also locked up most of his money. They had \$3,600 from the cash drawer and \$60 in his pockets.

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