

16 WORKMEN KILLED BY BOILER EXPLOSION

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Dec. 29—The lives of sixteen workmen were obliterated today by the explosion of a boiler at the plant of the Morwood Lake Ice Company, at Morwood Lake, two miles south of this city. Twelve men were killed instantly, one died shortly after the accident and three others died in the hospital. In addition two others were seriously injured, and it was stated

tonight at the House of Mercy here, the hospital to which the injured were removed, that it was feared that two of the patients would die. The dead are: William Dunn, engineer; George Ward, fireman; John Raymond, carpenter; Edgar Allen, employe; Leo Terwand, laborer; M.F. Smith, laborer; Wyatt Moore, laborer; William Penson, laborer; Alfred Senes, laborer; Fred Luther, laborer; Timor Eldridge, laborer; James McAtlas, laborer; George Haughtaling, laborer; Joseph Galigo, laborer; Obo Gallego, laborer; unidentified laborer.

But a few hours had elapsed before late Officer A. H. McNeil was

signed by the Massachusetts district police officials to make a thorough investigation of the cause of the explosion and determine the responsibility. At a special meeting of the city council, hastily called this afternoon to deal with the situation, resolutions were adopted calling for immediate action to supply the wants of these let-fashless and to help the injured. Upon the suggestion of Mayor William J. MacInnis, a subscription paper was started and within a short time nearly \$3,000 had been subscribed. United States Senator Wilbur D. Murray Crane, whose home is in Drifton, Pa., here headed the list with \$500, and Arth-

ur N. Cooley, Fred G. Crane and Zenas Crane each gave an equal sum. Many other smaller contributions were made.

Gathered this forenoon in and about the little boiler building, which was some distance from the ice house, were about 125 men, mostly Polanders and Italians, awaiting the chance to earn a few dollars by cutting ice. With a crash, heard for miles around, the boiler burst. Bodies of men, blackened and mutilated and fragments of iron and timber were hurled through the air. Those of the workmen who were not killed outright were either seriously injured or dazed by the shock.

Members of the firm of Shand and Leshure, the owners of the ice company, stated several hours after the explosion, that William Dunn, the engineer; George Ward, the fireman; and Edgar Allen, were the only men in the building regularly employed by the company. According to the officials, all of the others had been engaged today to commence the harvesting of the crop of ice this afternoon.

When it became known here that a serious explosion had occurred, parties were formed and proceeded immediately to the scene. Physicians took the lead followed by every ambulance in the city. Many automo-

biles assisted in the removal of the injured. A number of friends and relatives of the victims hastened to the scene and a sad group surrounded the demolished boiler house. The injured men were placed in ambulances or automobiles and hurried to the hospital here. Then the dismembered bodies were carefully gathered together and removed to the homes of the families of the dead. In some instances the bodies were so badly blackened and mutilated that identification was impossible for many hours.

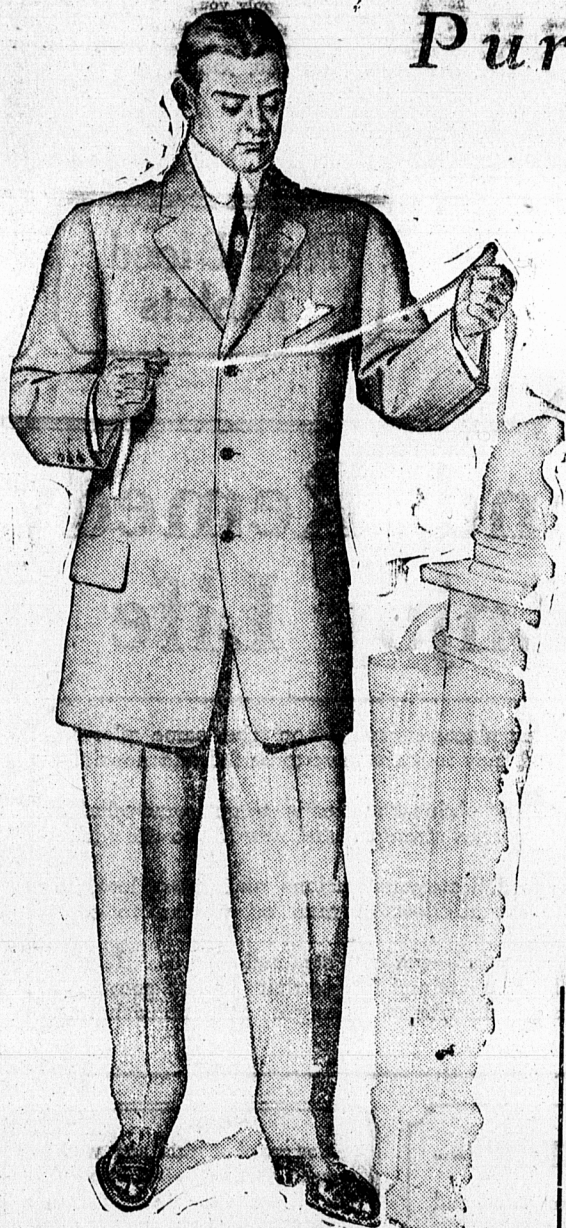
Several parts of the bodies were in some cases found from one limb tied

to two hundred feet from the site of the destroyed building. The boiler house and the boiler itself were broken into hundreds of pieces. The ice house was damaged but little and the entire monetary loss is not expected to exceed \$500.

Officials of the ice company were at a loss to account for the disaster. They said that changes in the boiler ordered by a state inspector last summer had been made, and that a test made yesterday had shown the water gauge to be working properly. No definite determination of the cause of the explosion is likely until the state officers have completed their investigation.

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- Fine fancy brown and green college coats. Regular \$16.50 for **\$9.90**
- An elegantly fine beaver cloth, fancy stripe, in college and senator styles. Worth \$20.00, during the sale only **\$12.60**
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7 Ulster Bargains

We are offering seven splendid big heavy men's ulsters with storm collar. The material is dark Oxford frieze in a good heavy weight, altogether making a good heavy coat for rough wear. Regular \$11.75 now **\$6.45**.



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One beaver and another persian collar that will give years of comfort and satisfaction. Regular \$16.75 now **\$10.75**

Two racoon collars that will fit comfortably on any coat. This is a really magnificent value. Regular \$8.75 value for **\$5.85**

Only one pair of fine gauntlet mitts. Made from soft pliable skins, heavily fur lined, large cuff to fit sleeves. Handsome and serviceable. Regular \$9.40 during this sale only **\$6.25**

Fancy Sweaters

This lot of 14 fancy knit vests comprises an elegant collection of the cream of the market. Just a few remaining articles left over from the holiday season.

Many of the best selling lines are included. Just one rare opportunity to select a saving of ONE THIRD OFF.

Coat Sweaters

The balance of our coat sweaters goes into this sale at rummy prices. You can select new at a clear saving of 25 P. C. DISCOUNT.

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A lot of 58 boys' three piece suits are placed on sale at HALF PRICE. This lot includes many of the very best wearing, good fitting tweeds, and calls for quick purchasing.

Another lot of 117 of the very best of our stock will be sold at ONE THIRD OFF.

All boys' two piece suits—the entire stock at ONE THIRD OFF.

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There's nothing small nor mean about this lot but the price. Boys' Knickers in all materials, patterns and colors 25 P. C. DISCOUNT.

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You can see a splendid line of boys reefers. Good stylish, serviceable coats with good warm collars, heavy buttons. Black frieze with high storm collar also grey frieze with high storm collar. Regular \$5.75, during this sale only **\$3.25**

Boys' Overcoats

We are showing a good range of smart, good wearing line of boys' Senator and College coats. They are all nicely tailored and good fitting. Boys' Senator Coats ONE THIRD OFF. Boys' College Coats 25 P. C. OFF.

A special line of exceptionally fine childrens overcoats for children from four to nine years.

Fancy materials and colors—especially nice. ONE THIRD OFF.



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