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The Weather  
Fair tonight and Sunday; probably warmer.

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## GIANT AIRSHIP BURSTS DASHING 16 PEOPLE TO EARTH

### 300 FEET DROP FOR BALLOON

Scores of Women Faint When Huge Bag Collapses--Several May Die--All Are Injured

OAKLAND, Cal., May 23.—The Morrell airship, the largest ever constructed, collapsed on its trial trip when about 200 feet above the ground and dashed the 16 occupants to earth. None were killed outright, but all were seriously injured and are suffering from broken limbs and other injuries. It is believed that several will die.

Thousands of people gathered to witness the trial of the giant ship, 450 feet long and 36 feet in diameter, a combination of aeroplane and dirigible air craft, driven by six gasoline engines, generating 200-horse power. The airship rose successfully from the ground with 16 men interested in the invention, who had agreed to take the trial trip before buying stock in the machine. All were residents of Oakland and Berkeley.

Suddenly the big gas bag, containing 500,000 cubic feet of illuminating gas, burst and began to settle slowly. As the gas escaped it appeared that the airship would make an easy descent. When 75 feet from the ground it suddenly shot downwards with terrific force. The occupants were caught under the wreckage.

Among the thousands of spectators scores of men and women fainted.

When the great gas bag burst there was a panic of the great crowd watching the ascension, and when the big craft which altogether weighed five tons, settled to the ground hundreds of men rushed forward with knives and ripped the silk which held the little gas that remained so that the fumes would not asphyxiate the injured. The heavy engines are responsible for injury to most of the occupants.

The injured were immediately placed in automobiles and express wagons and were taken to the Roosevelt hospital. The Morrell airship, which was built at a cost of \$80,000 and designed primarily to enter the contest with various aerial craft, the cause of the collapse of the big gas bag has not been ascertained, but it was probably a weak spot which gave way under the tremendous pressure.

#### FAT PEOPLE CAN NOW BE REDUCED TO NORMAL WEIGHT

NEW YORK, May 23.—After years of careful and conscientious testing on thousands of cases, one of the leading specialists of New York has perfected a harmless and rational method of reducing fat people to normal weight and at the same time strengthening the entire system.

He proposes to prove this fact by sending free of charge a trial treatment of this new method to anyone who is too fat. All people who are annoyed with over-fatness are advised to immediately address Dr. J. S. Spillenger, No. 45 West 25th street, New York city, and they can rest assured that they will receive a trial treatment by return mail absolutely free.

#### FRANK MUNSEY STARTS PHILADELPHIA PAPER

PHILADELPHIA, May 23.—Frank A. Munsey today announced that he has leased the building in Chestnut street near Sixth as long occupied by the Evening Bulletin, which has moved to new quarters, and that within a few weeks he will establish a new evening newspaper.

Mr. Munsey said the new paper will be independent in politics, in keeping with the policy of the other Munsey newspapers—the Boston Journal, the Baltimore News and the Washington Times.

He said further he will continue his policy of purchasing and establishing daily papers to be operated under a common management.

Methodist Episcopal Church, B Street. "The Demands of the Age" will be the subject at 11 a. m. At 5 p. m. the annual memorial service in honor of our departed heroes. The church will be tastefully decorated for this service. In view of the union temperature meeting at night, there will be no evening service. Sabbath school at 10 a. m. Epworth league 7 p. m. All are invited.

### SQUADRON WILL SAIL TO SEATTLE

First Division Goes to Port Townsend to Meet Other Ships and Proceed Down Sound.

BELLINGHAM, May 23.—The first division of the fleet sailed today for the rendezvous of the fleet at Port Townsend, whence the reunited fleet will sail for Seattle. The hospital ship relief did not proceed up the sound, but is remaining here to take in the bodies of two seamen of the New Jersey—J. Staub and E. Lulinski, who were killed last evening in a car accident.

#### IMMENSE GOLD DREDGING PROJECTS IN CALIFORNIA

Referring to the large areas of dredging ground recently taken up in Siskiyou, Trinity and Shasta counties, the Redding Courier-Free Press says:

There has been much speculation in mining circles as to the principals in certain large dredging projects that have been reported in the daily press, as about to be launched in northern California, including the Klamath river section, but the impressions so far disclosed are in error as to the ownership of certain grounds that have been purchased outright or taken up and others bonded as the case demanded.

It has developed that W. D. Egilbert of Redding is the personal representative for the Anglo-American Gold Dredging company, composed of foreign and eastern capitalists in the matter of securing some thousands of acres and several miles of rivers and streams in the sections named. To avail himself of these opportunities he relinquished his control in the dredging proposition promoted by him last year and the people connected therewith have to interest whatever in the negotiations that for some months have been carried on by the Redding dredge man and his agents.

Egilbert controls more gold-bearing gravel grounds today than any one person in California, and it is reported that already two machines are ordered for Siskiyou and Shasta county lands, and there promises to be a large amount of capital invested in this region in the next few years.

#### MINING NOTES.

Elmer Callahan has begun the work of moving a ten stamp quartz mill from Quartz valley to Hornbrook.

R. A. Murray and associates have a crew of men at work on their copper group below the forks of Salmon. The surface showing is good.

Thomas Keathing is back to Callahan from the Coffee creek country in Trinity county and reports the trails open from Trinity Center to his place on Hornbrook creek.

The Gold Nugget Mining company at Sawyer bar, under the management of R. A. Murray, will open up the mine at the lower end of the property and enlarge their ditches. The company will spend several thousand dollars in enlarging pipe, shafts and other improvements. This season's run has been good.

New Guardian and his men are hard at work sinking the shaft on his mine at Hawkinsville. A depth of 50 feet has been reached on the smaller ledge, while more rock is contained on the main ledge, the values of which continue as shown by previous assays. The ore is being prepared for shipment to the smelter at Kennett.

### Another Disaster on the Elevated



Rough-Rider Dunn—And just to think, I put that burr there myself.

### TRAINS TURTLE UPON ELEVATED

Another Disaster on the Narrow Rocky Road to Jacktown--Greive and Family Victims.

Another disaster is reported on Dunn's elevated. This time the victims were W. T. Greive, republican candidate for county assessor, wife and baby, whose rig turned turtle with the occupants on the narrow rocky road to Jacktown.

Mr. Greive and family were en route to Ruth to attend the county office holders' and seekers' rally. Just beyond the Allen place, an auto was met, headed toward Medford. The elevated here is very narrow. Both the auto and the buggy turned out for each other. The auto slid along, narrowly missing an upsetting. Mr. Greive's rig did upset, spilling all in out.

Though serious results might have ensued, the only damage except to the buggy was the bruising and scratching up of Mr. Greive, who was brought to Medford for treatment in the auto.

#### OKLAHOMA BANK LAW WORKS LIKE A CHARM

GUTHRIE, Okla., May 23.—Within one hour of the time H. H. Smock, Oklahoma banking commissioner, had taken charge of the International Bank of Colgate he had authority to pay the depositors in full, though the bank's cash and available funds in other banks fell \$22,000 short of the total amount of deposits. The commissioner was enabled to do this under the operation of the new banking law, and this is the first time it has been called into use.

#### RUEF JURY DISCHARGED FOR INABILITY TO AGREE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—Unable to agree, after being out almost 44 hours, the jury in the case of Abraham Ruef, charged with offering a bribe to former Supervisor Jennings J. Phillips, was discharged by Judge Maurice T. Dooling. Thirteen ballots were taken and the jury stood 8 to 6 from the outset. At no stage was there a chance for an agreement, the credibility of the witnesses being the main point upon which the jurors divided.

#### TRAIN FROM PORTLAND HELD UP BY TRESTLE

Train No. 15 from Portland was held up six hours Saturday night by the collapse of a trestle near Cottage Grove. As a consequence it was 3 o'clock in the afternoon when the train reached Portland.

#### MRS. POTTER PALMER TO ENTERTAIN ROYALTY

LONDON, May 23.—Mrs. Potter Palmer is actively preparing for her first season here as a hostess for King Edward after having won a preliminary social triumph at Biarritz this spring when the king was there. During the week just closed she has been collecting art treasures for decorating Hampton House, the stately residence she has taken, because it is adapted to such grand entertainments as she plans to give.

She bought some fine bronze groups at Christie's at very reasonable figures. One, for which she paid \$700, is said to be worth \$2000.

Dealers have learned to be circumspect in their business transactions with her. She never buys without acquainting herself with the average value of the article and she refuses to pay "Morgan prices." Whichever she is told that Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan is willing to do so without in any way considering the personal equation.

This shrewdness perhaps has stood in her way heretofore as a hostess, for it may have prevented her attracting by such lavish outlays as are now deemed necessary.

#### HAYWOOD DECLINED TO RUN FOR PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, May 23.—In explanation of the nomination of Debs for president by the socialists instead of W. D. Haywood, who was acquitted of the murder of ex-Governor Steunenberg and whose nomination was expected, the friends of Haywood made public a letter in which Haywood made public a letter in which Haywood at the last moment declined to be a candidate and said: "For what my comrades have done for me in the past I am grateful. Their loyal fellowship has greatly aided me when I needed aid. I am satisfied that I can do more good if not a candidate. I desire nothing better than to devote every effort to advocating our principles and our candidates and be able to do so without in any way considering the personal equation."

It is said by others that Haywood was not nominated because on his tour of the country after his trial he failed to arouse the enthusiasm that was expected.

#### GERMAN EDITOR GIVEN NEW TRIAL FOR LIBEL

LEIPZIG, May 23.—The supreme court set aside the verdict of the lower court in the Max Million Harden case of the Berlin editor found guilty of libeling Count Moltke and ordered the case returned to the lower court.

### 40,000 DEAD FROM FAMINE

Government is Feeding 50,000 Negroes in Usoga, Province of Uganda--Crops Are a Failure.

MOMBASA, British East Africa, May 23.—Over 40,000 deaths from the severe famine now prevailing at Usoga, a province of Uganda, are reported. The government is feeding 50,000 natives. The crops have been a complete failure this year.

#### JACKSONVILLE ITEMS

Mrs. Robert Cameron of Union was to town Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Dana Gage of Kansas, who are visiting relatives living here, spent Thursday in Medford, the guests of Charles Davis and family.

Miss Josephine Orth has returned from Oakland, Cal., after an absence of several weeks. Mrs. J. Huffer, Mrs. Alice Ulrich, Larkin Reynolds and Lewis Ulrich, who were sent as delegates to the I. O. O. F. and Rebekah grand lodge at Salem, returned Friday morning and report a fine time.

A good many people from Jacksonville attended the candidates' ball at Rock Friday night.

A. P. Armstrong, professor of the Portland business college, arrived from San Francisco Thursday evening and will spend a few days with his mother before returning north.

A. Kromling of the Willamette valley is in town shaking hands with old friends.

Mrs. Will Dunn of Grants Pass is visiting at the home of T. J. Kenney. Among those who went over from here Thursday evening to attend the Swastika dance were Misses Lella and Bertha Prim, Leon Ulrich, Josephine Dunegan, Mervyn Kenney and Charles Nunn, Ray Sexton and Frank Tracy.

### CLASH IN CONGRESS OVER BILL

Measure For Enlarged Homesteads Provokes Bitter Words Between Representatives

WASHINGTON, May 23.—A flutter of excitement was created in the house during the consideration of the conference report on the bill providing for enlarge homesteads. Messrs. Mondell of Wyoming and Hayes of Tennessee were the ones who signed the report, urging the adoption. Mr. Reed of Kansas bitterly opposed their course in the remarks following:

"The people of the west seldom send men here who don't vote for what they want, and I presume men who advocate this bill have hundreds of thousands of acres of western land, and they have the American disposition to want everything that adjoins them."

Mondell objected to the remarks as a reflection upon himself, and Cannon held that the words spoke for themselves, and that they did not constitute any reflection upon any member. The incident at first had an ugly aspect, but was thereupon closed.

Mondell made an attempt to send the bill back to the conference, but the effort was futile, the report being defeated, 19 to 138.

#### TOLEDO MAN MAY BE BRYAN'S RUNNING MATE

TOLEDO, May 23.—I was talking with Mr. Bryan yesterday and he came out flatly and said he considered Mayor Whitlock of Toledo as the most likely running mate he could find. Mayor Tom Johnson of Cleveland has all he can do just at this time in his own bailiwick, and Governor Johnson of Minnesota is entirely out of the question because he is located too far in the west. Whitlock is now a national figure and his record would make him a strong man on the ticket.

Clarence Darrow of Chicago, who is here on a lecturing trip, made the foregoing statement today. He has been a friend of W. J. Bryan for years. News paper readers will recall him as counsel for Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone of the Western Federation of Miners, who were tried for the assassination of ex-Governor Steunenberg of Idaho. Some years before Mr. Darrow had represented the United Mine Workers of America in the arbitration of the anthracite strike before Judge George Gray.

Mr. Darrow is confident that Mr. Bryan will be nominated for president. He bases his belief on information picked up during several weeks of travel.

#### JOHN SHARP WILLIAMS AS CHAUTAUQUA SPEAKER

The 16th annual session of the Southern Oregon Chautauquas will be held at Ashland July 8-17.

John Sharp Williams, the democratic leader of the United States house of representatives, will lecture. Dr. Robert McFutire of Los Angeles, America's foremost descriptive orator, will give one—possibly two—lectures. Dr. Ira Landrith of Nashville, Tenn., known from Maine to California as a great lecturer, will deliver two lectures. Alfred Montgomery, the farmer who paints and the painter who farms, will bring \$50,000 worth of paintings.

Mrs. Leonora M. Lake of St. Louis, a lady widely and favorably known in the east and middle west, as a great temperance and reform worker, said to belong to Miss Willard Mrs. Liver, more class, two lectures.

General Secretary H. W. Stone of the Portland Y. M. C. A. will speak on "Boysology."

President W. J. Kerr, the distinguished head of the Oregon college, an educator of high repute, will speak once. Mrs. Louise J. McFutire, of Minneapolis, probably the best known woman in the United States, lectures on health culture.

Dr. E. J. House of Portland, old-time favorite, speaks on one or more occasions upon timely topics.

Rev. John Lentus, missionary recently returned from Malaysia, and well known and interesting lecturer and explorer, will speak once during the session.

Other speakers to be announced.

### BONAPARTE NOT TO QUIT ROOSEVELT

White House Makes Official Denial of Stories of Serious Difficulties Over Suing Railroads.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The White House today made an official denial of the stories of serious difficulties between President Roosevelt and Attorney-General Bonaparte on the question of bringing suit against the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad. The story going so far as to say that Bonaparte has threatened to resign. The White House statement, which goes into detail, is corroborated by personal statements of the cabinet officers.

#### ODD FELLOWS SELECT ALBANY FOR NEXT MEET

SALEM, Or., May 23.—Selection of Albany as the place for the next meeting, installation of officers and a street parade in which nearly 500 Odd Fellows and Rebekahs participated, were the closing incidents of the last day of the session of the Odd Fellows' grand lodge.

The list of new grand lodge officers follows:

Grand master, Ed Hostetter, The Dalles; deputy grand master, H. E. Coulidge, La Grande; grand wardens, T. E. Ryan, Oregon City; grand secretary, E. E. Sharon, Portland; grand treasurer, O. D. Donne, The Dalles; grand marshal, P. D. Gardner, Baker City; grand conductor, Amos Voss, Salem; grand guardian, C. R. Dinwiddie, Prineville; grand herald, J. L. Reynolds, Jacksonville; grand chaplain, Thomas J. Elkins, Portland.

The new grand officers of the Rebekah assembly are as follows: President, Mrs. Mary E. Smith, Grants Pass; vice-president, Mrs. Carrie Hubbard, Independence; secretary, Mrs. Ora Cosper, Dallas; warden, Mrs. Addie Grant, La Grande; treasurer, Mrs. Edna Jacobs, Corvallis; marshal, Mrs. Belle Bejers, LaFayette; conductress, Mrs. May Greve, Hillsboro; chaplain, Mrs. Jessie Willoughby, Eugene; inside guardian, Annie Hoskinn, Portland; outside guard, Nettie Barnett, Marshfield.

### Hotel Nash

Table d'Hote Dinner  
Sunday Evening, May 24th

- Hors d'Oeuvre à la Partry  
Chicken Soup  
Boiled Halibut, Aurore Sauce  
Timbales of Eggs à la Provençal  
Oyster à la Polette on Casserole  
Chicken, with Dressing  
Dumple Marmalade  
Beef à la Francaise  
Salad à la Nash  
Squashberries à la Malba  
Champignons  
Cafe Noir

### Music

By  
Hazelrigg Orchestra

- 1—March ..... "The Merry Widow"  
2—Tone Poem ..... "Apple Blossoms"  
3—Waltz ..... "Dreams of Childhood"  
4—Andante ..... "Angels' Serenade"  
5—Selection ..... "Woodland"  
6—Brag ..... "If the Man in the Moon Were a Gun"  
7—Waltz ..... "Prince of Pilsen"  
8—Polka ..... "Turkish"  
9—Selection ..... "Ermire"  
10—March ..... "Gallogo Life"

CHICAGO, May 23.—Peter F. Dalley, one of the best known comedians in the country, died today at the Auditorium hotel. He had been sick only a week.