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FAVOR VOTE STEAMERS IN HEAD-ON COLLISION

Seventy-five Passengers Many Are in Favor of the Landed Safely--The Ship Beached in Time to Prevent Its Sinking

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 12,-While steaming through the dense fog which enveloped Elliott bay early today, the steamer Chippewa, Captain McAipine, bound for Vivtoria with over 500 passengers abourd, crashed almost headon into the steamer Sentinel, with 75 pasengers and crew, bound for Scattle from Bainbridge island ports. The steel hull of the Chippewa forced its way into the side of the Sentinel's wooden how, almost shivering her bow, and water began pouring into her hold. Pandemonium reigned among the pas-sengers of both vossels. The Chippewa was backed quickly away from the Sentinel and when through the fog came the frightening cry for help, lifeboats were lowered from Chippewa and sent nuder kquick stroke to the aid of the Sentinel. It was with the utmost diffi-Sentinel. It was with the utmost diffi-fulty that Captain Hendrickson and the crew of the Sentinel prevented some of their passengers from jumping into the water, as it seemed that the vessel was doomed to go to the bottom imme-

Lifeboats Lowered.

Thel ifeboats of the Sentinel were lowered and with the quick assistance of the Chippewa's bont the passengers were all transferred safely and brought back to Scattle, The Scattnel was immediately headed

for West Scattle, where she was beached just in time to prevent her sinking. Several passengers were on the forward deek of the Scutinel and narrow ly escaped injury when the two boats came together. The excitement on the Chippewa was intense and the passengers, mostly tourists, were thrown about when the impact came. Many were on the deck and those in the cabins came rushing out of the saloon doors, fear ing that they would be forced to leap

Captain McAlpine made his report to the officers of the Inland Navigation company and proceeded on his way to Victoria. He stated that he was running under a slow bell blowing his whistle every 15 seconds and did not see the Sentinel until he was almost on

Captain Hendrickson of the Sentinel stated that he was in the pilot house running slowly but that he was unable to locate the position of the Chippewa by her whistle until she loomed up di rectly in front of him. He rang full speed astern, but too late to prevent

ing in Medford, relatives by the way, who do not always light up their autor at night, to the hazard of the traveling and in violation of the law. They certainly should be prosecuted

THIS KICK PROVED A WATERMELON

Early Saturday morning a big husky looking farmer came into The Tribune office and asked for the editor. He looked as if he had a kick coming, and the effice hov swore there was blood in the man's eye. It looked bad for a moment, and much haste was used in passing out the information that the editor was

Well, I gness this bunch will he stenned outside to his wagoffice boy hid behind the job press, the foreman de press needed attending to and the other employes huddled around the back door. The

decks were cleared for action-It was not long before the stranger reappeared—not with the expected horsewhip-but large, luscious watermelon. The office boy crawled from his hiding place, the hig press was siddenly fixed and the back door was descried for the front. knife was produced and all that remains of that melon is a delous memory.

The melon, an extra large one, was given by W. G. Gordan, near this city. He has been supply ing many householders of the

BY PEOPLE ON WATER

Plan Proposed by Councilman Hafer-- Much Discossion Over the Matter

Since Councilman Hafer announced his plan to allow the citizens of the city to vote on the water question and thus choose the one they want, there has been much discussion of the matter on the streets, nearly all seeming to favor such a plan. Some of the councilmen do not favor it, as it entails a loss of time. The matter will probably be decided at a meeting of the council soon.

Ever since Mr. Hafer's plan was made public the office of The Tribune has been flooded with letters, all urg-ing the adoption of the plan. The following by J. W. Wilson is a fair example:

To the Editor-Dear Sir: I notice a great deal of discussion going on in regard to the water problem in the daily newspapers. But not in any of said discussions has anyone taken the stand so far that the people should have any

thing to say on the question.

In talking with a city councilman the other day, he took the stand that the voters were too ignorant to vote intelligently on the selection of a source of supply for Medford water. Now, it seems to me, being that the conneil has made a failure so far, that it would be more proper and better to let the people vote on the site for our water supply by referendum. Let all the propositions that have been put forward be submitted to a yes and no vote, on a properly arranged ballot, I am not a believer in one-man power, especially when there are influences surrounding men which will make it to their economic interest to change their

of the people to vote themselves in has been meeting with the greatest of debt for money to build a water system. Who will dare to say that the crowds. He has the reputation of being people have not the same right to say a wonderful speaker, and the enthusi-haw the money shall be spent? Let us asm with which he is greeted sustains

FARMERS OVERTAXED

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 12,-At a gathering on the state fair grounds to day W. J. Bryan said: "My friends. we are more stingy in making appropriations for the farmer than for any other large class of our people. Why, it was a century ofter our government was A sho arganized, or about that, before we depot. succeeded in getting a Department of Agriculture established. What will you FIND THE BODY OF think when I tell you that for ever tollar we spend on that department we mend more than \$25 on the army and the navy. More than twenty five times s much spent in getting ready for wars.

The discrimination that has been going on against the farmer has tended to drive the people from the farms to the towns, and I believe that symptom is a dangerous symptom. Our federal taxation is about all collected through methods that bear upon consumption, and there has heretofore been a contant drain of the farms in the matter of collecting taxes, and when the taxes are appropriated and spent the money is nearly all spent in the cities and very little of it upon farms. The farmer, therefore, has not only suffered in aying more than his share to the tax collector, but he has been the least henefitted directly by the expenditure of the money that is raised."

FORMER WIFE OF A MILLIONAIRE IS BROKE

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 12.—Mrs. rances Hugaman de la Barre, former wife of Theodore Hagaman, a million aire broker, is today almost penniless as the result of being swindled by Dr. Richard C. Plower, according to the

Mrs. Hagaman claims that for four months she has been held practically a prisoner at the Colonial house and that during that time she has been swindled out of nearly \$1,500,000. Plawer, she avers, secured the bulk of her So great was his power over + Mrs. Hagamun that she says she

obeyed his every command. Her relations with Dr. Flawer, Mrs. Hagaman will not discuss. She admits that she entered them at her own vo-* that she entered them at her own very should be in great demand.

* that she entered them at her own very living here under assumed names, but Mrs. Hagaman der assumed names, but Mrs. Hagaman der assumed names, but Mrs. Hagaman der assumed names, but Mrs. Hagaman ried by a vote of 30 to 2.

* The saloun question will liste in the coming rames.

THE BILLY BEARS II.

The two little bears that would be president of the United States (Written for the Tribune

Now Billy T was keeping ''tab'' On Billy B's political gab. Said Billy T: ''It gives me pain To think Billy B has gone insane.

"For all Billy B's new issues Are whiskered o'er with frost; He thrashed them all out twice before, And Billy B got 'lost,'

"Wait till he hears from Debs and Hearst; -They'll both raise hades and do their

worst, Then Billy B will surely see The 'safe and sane' want Billy T.

"So I'll stay home and go to church And fire my 'talk' from the old front porch. Let rich Brother Charles do the talk

for me, For it's money that talks," said Billy T.

Now Billy B went on his way To the Windy City for "Labor day." He made a dash for the "labor vote," And the G. O. P. he roundly smote.

He ripped up the "trusts," lambasted the banks

And cut up awful bearish pranks, Cussed the old "tariff," "plutocracy"

too. There's no knowing what Billy B

peopul are with me," said Billy B, "For I'm pleading their issues plain

as can be,
And the braves in old Tammany are
shouting with glee:
'God bless Billy Bryan—A-Boo, Billy T.'''

Now Billy B warmed up to his work, Determined no issue whatever to shirk, '' "Fis now 'neck or nothing,' '' said bright Billy B, ''Se please hand the 'lemon' to Big Billy T.''

ATTEMPT MADE BUNKER SITE 'RED SPECIAL" TOMORROW ON GOV. FORT

Socialist Candidate For Infernal Machine Inter- Ladies of Greater Medford President Will Speak in This City Tomorrow

The "red special," with Eugene V. Debs, the candidate of the socialist party for president, on board, is scheduled to arrive in this city tomorrow afternoon on a tour of the United States. will probably be greeted by a large crowd of townspeople.

Everywhere along the line Mr. Debs

SAYS BRYAN AT FAIR An engine and conches, all bright red, are conveying Mr. Debs on his great

Local socialists meet this evening to perfect their plans for the reception of Mr. Debs.

A short program will be given at the

A MURDERED MAN

KLAMATH FALLS, Sept. 12,-The ody of a murdered white man has been found near Yainax on the Klamath In lian reservation, and a half-breed Inthe deed. He has disappeared.

The news came to the city Tuesday by telephone from Superintendent on of the agency, and the sheriff and oroner immediately left for Vainax.

The white man has not been identified as yet, and it is not known why Barclay is suspected, as it is impossible of laborers to get information. The telephone line ween this city and Yainax is down on account of there being so many Indian telephone subscibers on the line tendent Wilson will not talk, not wish ing to arouse any excitement among the

mustache and wearing spectacies. He is supposed to have gone to

SUPERVISORS OF SHASTA COUNTY STEER INTO TROUBLE

REDDING, Cal., Sept. 12.—The nti-salom people of Shash county are needed today because the supervisors lave refused to submit a local option ordinance to a vote of the people in the country. Feeling is running high and the prohibitionists say that they will keep up the fight until they win

The local branch of the anti-saloon lengue of California appeared before tion signed by eleven hundred people claimed to be a majority of the voters in the county outside the incorporated city of Redding. The vote to table the petition before the supervisors car-

The salous question will be made an issue in the coming campaign.

cepted in Postoffice by the Secret Service Men

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 12.-An infernal machine addressed to Govern-or Franklin Fort of New Jersey was intercepted in the postoffice here today and is in the hands of the government and couningly contrived.

Several theories have been advanced, the most general one being that the machine was sent to the governor as the result fo his stand on the Sunday closing law, he recently having threatthe closing of saloons at the seashore

The infernal machine was detected by a clerk, who suspected what it was and called the attention of the inspec-

The infernal machine which was in-tended for Governor Fort was taken tended for Governor Fort was taken apart by the officials. It contained a bomb which undoubtedly would have killed anyone opening it without tak-ing great precautions. It was constructon the train is a band picked from ing great precautions. It was constituted on the best musicians in Chicago, ed of powder, ands and bullets, with matches arranged in such a way as to set it off when the package was un EIGHT-YEAR-OLD BOY

KENNETT, Sept. 12,-Today is payday here for the miners and smeltermen employed by the Mammoth Copper day the here of the neighborhood is company. Seventy-five thousand dol- which he resides. lars will be disbursed.

In addition to this great sum, the Mammoth Copper company paid out \$10,000 on the first of the month to members of its staff and firemen at the mine and smelter, who are paid ten days earlier in the month than the body

Holt & Gregg and the Northern California Power company pay off today, also, throwing about \$5,000 more into business channels.

So It is no exaggeration to say that the September pay day in Kennett amounts to \$90,000

Since the establishment of a bank Barelay is described as weighing 165 here just a year ago the people as a rule have become more frugal. Instead of spending a large part of their curnings, they have acquired the habit of making deposits in the bank. During the last six months deposits have more

MORE FIRES THIS YEAR

THAN EVER BEFORE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 12 -The year of 1908 will go down in his tory as one of the worst, so far as for fires are concerned, in the last quarter of a century.

Pigures obtained by government offiails show that losses in all parts of the United States, principally the northern part of the country, will ren bigh into the millions of dollars. A widerational systems of fire protection. Exclusive of salaries of forestry officers. it has cost the government so far this year \$30,000 to have the national forest reserves patrolled.

Club Prevail on Authorities to Change Location

At last the question of choosing a site for the bunkers to receive the crushed rock from the city quarry at Jacksonville has been settled. They are to be located near the west boundary noon on a tour of the United States.

Mr. Debs will speak at the depot and that the machine was very powerful R. V. railrond. This decision was reach

ed Friday afternoon.
The ladies of the Greater Medford club entered a protest against having them placed near the city park, as they desire to enlarge the city park in that direction. They have received the promise of the council to have the water tank removed and they did not favor having a treatle creeted with the bunkers where they would remain for the next five years to come, and possibly

longer.
The city engineer and the street committee, after hearing the protest of the ladies, decided to locate the bunk-ers near the city limits. The work of building them will be undertaken in the near future. As soon as they are completed the work on Seventh street wil

PROVES A HERO

PORTLAND. Or., Sept. PAYROLL \$90,000 though he failed in a heroic attempt to save his 11-year-old cousin, Ploye Brown, from drowning, Burma Looney 8 years old, and unable to awim, is to

Nothing was known of his brave acuntil some workmen saw him splash ing in the Willamotte river in an ef-fort to Leep his head above the wo ter. He was rescued after he had gon that in spice of his inability to awim have his consin, but the latter had dis accented from sight when Burma' plight was discovered.

ANDREWS GETS JUDGMENT AGAINST J. A. BOTHWELL

Ed Andrews was granted a judg ent in the circuit court Friday against J. A. Bothwell for expenses incurred during a trip east in the interest of the Oregon Realty Bond syndicate.

SACRED CONCERT IN THE PARK TOMORROW

The band will give a sacred cor in the park Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. This takes the place of the regular Friday evening concert, which was not given this week.

"Robby" Groom, McCredie's mair stay in the box for two seasons, has been drafted by Washington, and will go the hig brash to be a team mate of Charlie Street, "Silent Bill" Burne and the great Johnson, under Joe Can tillion, next year. The drafting season been started in many states by gov- days. As each team can only lose one of player, however, the Portland ranks Ex will not be relied more. Cleveland was given an option on Groom and Raf-ferty early in the season, but turned om back, otherwise he would not have been subject to draft.

ARE OFFERED FIRES ARE WIPING OUT \$40,000 FOR VILLAGES THE RALEIGH

Front of Raging Sea of Flames in Minnesota---Many Are Homeless

DULUTH, Minn., Sept. 12.-Late reports today from the Lake Superior region state that the situation on the north shore is terrible. There is little hope of saving many houses and villages and the people are fleeing before the wall of fire. All telephone wires to the burning district are down and it is impossible to learn anything definite from the critical points.

A steamer with refugees from Michigan, Wiscousin and North shore points arrived here today with survivors of the fire, George Balcom, one of the refugees from Houghton, Mich., said that when he left the fire was within 15 miles of the town. The people were preparing a ring of waste around the town and setting it after in the hope that the flames could be turned away w back firing Canadian Forest Burned.

Reports from Manitoba say that the Canadian forest reserves of over 15 miles square has been almost burned

A pall of smoke is hanging over Lake Superior today and the wildest rumors Governor Johnson has coming in. asked the railroad companies to keep their wires in repair so that communi-cation with the burned districts will not be entirely ent off.

CALUMET, Mich., Sept. 12.—Reports today from Isle Royale say that three cottages have been destroyed and that much standing timber is being burned up by a floree wall of flame that is rapidly approaching Rock Harbor, Washington Harbor and other summer re-

orts. There are no means of fighting the fire on the island and the loss will be ver a million dollars unless a provi-cential rain intervenes to dampen the

REPORTED THAT COMMISSION HAS REACHED DECISION

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 12.— Although it is stated today that the state railroad commission has reached a decision in the Southern Pacific re-bate case, it is announced that no decisions will be made public until all the rebate hearings before the commis-

sion have been finished.

There are cases yet to be heard dyainst the Santa Po and the Salt Lake the northwest. roads, and it will be several months before these decisions are reached. The commission has ordered the Ione rail-road to file their tariff sheets without road refuses claiming that they are still in the cor struction stage, but are passengers and freight, and they are breaking the law, is the claim of the commission.

IS HOPELESSLY INSANE

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.-Stewart M Bryce, son of the late Calvin S. Bryce, United States senator from Ohio, has been pronounced hopelessly insane by several physicians and his brother W . Kirkpatriek Bryce, today took steps have him sent to an asylum and t have an administrator of his personal end real property appointed.

Bryce was sent to an asylum by his brother, John Francis Bryce, last April on a judicator, but was allowed his liberty by the court on condition that Kirkpatrick Bryco have him placed

nder medical care. Beyee served as a captain on Genera Shafter's staff during the Spanish was nd has a large estate.

THIRST FOR KNOWLEDGE CAUSE OF PARENTS' DEATH

MUSKEGON, Mich., Sept. 12.—Be asse pretty 18-year-old Minnie Cooer had a great thirst for knowledge, er parents are dead today.

Pitch Cooper, the girl's father, ob-ected to her entering high school, in osting that she go to work instead of wasting her time with books." Yesterday Mrs. Cooper insisted that their daughter enter the high school. An argument ensued in which Cooper sho

ad killed his wife and then killed himself with the same gan. GRAND JURY RETURNS TRUE

The grand jury returned an indictment Saturday morning against H. M. Coss, charged by Clara Stagg with a statutory crime. The case will be heard in the circuit court.

People Are Fleeing in Owners of Copper Mine on Trail Creek Decide to Turn Down the Offer of **English Company**

The owners of the Raleigh copper mine in the Trail crock distret, about 35 miles northaest of this city, were recently offered \$40,000 for the mile, but turned the offer down. The offer

was made by an English company.

Last week two of the owners of the
mine, accompanied by Dr. J. P. Reddy,
who is also an owner, visited the mine.
The two visitors, D. C. Burns and William Hart M. Hamilton, came from Santa Barbara, Cal., and were the guests of Dr. Reddy while in this city. There is considerable development work going on the mine and prospects are becoming brighter every day. In fact, the prospects at the present time are such as to lead the owners to reject the offer of the English company of \$40,000 for the mine.

The work of developing the property s to be carried on in the future on a larger scale in order to determine the extent of the property.

SAN FRANCISCO TO HAVE NATIONAL GUARD REGIMENT

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 12,-Recruiting began today for the organization of a new regiment of the Na-tional Guard of California to be stationed in San Francisco, in conformity with a movement which has been start ed by representatives of commercial

bodies of this city.

The action of the business men of San Francisco in reorganizing the Na-tional Guard has the sanction of Governor Gillett, who is ready to equip the organization as soon as it is mus-tered in. C. H. Crocker was yesterday named as temporary chairman and funds will be raised to secure a site and equip an armory for the new reg

THOMAS A. EDISON

VISITING IN SEATTLE SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 12 .- Com-

bining business and pleasure, Thomas A. Edison, accompanied by his wife and

daughter, is visiting in the Pacific northwest and today is in Scattle. While in this part the wizard of the electrical word comments on what power is going to waste in many places in

MOTOR ALL THAT IS KEEPING WRIGHT BACK

LEMANS, France, Sept. 12 .- Wilbur Wright said today that defects in the notor of his aeroplane is all that pre vents his equaling the wonderful record ande by Orville in his flights at Wash

He says he will make a record when corrects the defects in his motors. M. Weiller, who is heading the syn-dicate that will buy the Wright machine, if it meets the requirements, to lay offered an additional prize of 1000 france to the first French navigator who reaches the height that Wilbur has already attained.

................. BRYAN BRANDS HEARST STORY A FALSEHOOD

CUMBERLAND, Md., Sept. 12.—Regarding the statement alleged to have been made by W. R. Hearst that Bryan offered to ic nomination for president in 1912 if Hearst would support Bryan in the present campaign, the Commoner, who is here on

"If Mr. Hearst made such a statement as that it is utterly and entirely false."

Bryan conferred with the leaders here this morning. He speaks this afternoon at 2 o'clock and again this evening at 7 o'clock Large growds greeted him and

him at headquarters. The candidate will leave here tonight for Deer Park, where will be the guest of John T. McGraw tomorrow, Bryan apparently is enjoying his tour and