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VILLAGE SINKS IN GROUND

BUDAPEST, Oct. 11.-Nine thousand acres of moorland in the neighborhood of Etsed is on fire. The peat is burning to some depth and intense heat has loosened the ground causing a general sub-sidence of the village of Boervely. Several houses have collapsed and four persons have been killed. Troops are trying to extinguish the fire.

Weather on the Bar. ASTORIA, Oct, 11.-Wind south; fog;

## TIRED BY HIS TRIP.

Four Persons Killed in Pent Land Cleveland, on the Way From Buf-

falo, Is Delayed by Flood. PRINCETON, N. J., Oct. II.-Ex-President Cleveland arrived here this morning after a tedious journey of 36 hours from Buffalo, having been delayed by the flood.

"The trip was exceedingly thresome, but I felt resigned to my fate and knew that the delay was inevitable. All I suffered

Mr. Cleveland leaves Tuesday to deliver a speech at Chicago before the Commer-cial Club.

Elect Crocker.

DEMOCRACY

Schmitz Forces.

THE REPUBLICAN VOTE IS SOLID

usiness Men Ask What the Present City Executive Has Done for Business Interests and Criticize Appointments Made.

THE CANDIDATES.

DEMOCRATIC-Franklin K. Lane, City Attorney, a brilliant lawyer, thinker and student. UNION LABOR-Eugene E. Schmitz, two years' experience as Mayor in

inefficient men; before time fiddler at the Columbia Theater. REPUBLICAN-Henry J. Crocker, director of large commercial interests in California; a conservative and cautious business man,

with a broad experience in the af-

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 11 .- (Special.)—The municipal campaign in this city has developed into the old-time mudthrowing contest, and although the candidates themselves have not plunged their arms to the elbows in the mire, their friends have gone all the way down to their shoulder-blades.

This phase of the situation has developed only this week, greatly to the surprise of the public. All three candidates for Mayor, Eugene E. Schmitz, of the Union Labor Party; Franklin K. Lane, the Democratic nominee, and Henry J. Crocker, the choice of the Republicans, represent the better and reform element, and it was thought that this would insure a campaign which would not necessitate the constant presence of a strong disin-

Caudidates Men of Character. Lane, Schmitz and Crocker are men

whose characters have never been ason the front page of the daily paper as campaign argument, the respective heads of the three tickets remain unsullied. Not with their fellow nominees. Every reputation that has a vulnerable spot has been sore wounded by an arrow sped to that very point.

Of the present status of the contending parties, a definite conclusion is impossible, but important developments have served to throw much light on to what earlier in the week was an incomprehensible problem. In a speech recently delivered Schmitz stated that he feared only Crocker. Lane, he stated, could hope for only the scattering vote of a party rent by internal dissensions. The statement was not haphazard. It was the result of calculation and subsequent facts have borne it out.

Lane Is Third Chosen.

Among the knowing it is common talk that were the election to be called for temorrow, Franklin K. Lane, to whom San Francisco gave a 10,000 majority one year ago, would make no better than third place. The reason for this is obvious. The Democracy is split in twain with McNab holding the whip hand over the majority and blocked by the "horses and carts," a stubborn minority. Lane is the creature of McNab's fac-

tion. The enmity within the ranks of the emocrats is such that the horses and carts will throw their support where it will do their rival bess most harm. Alive to this fact Lane has adopted a policy of conciliation. He argues that he must heal the wounds which his party has inflicted upon itself before he can hope to reach out for votes beyond.

Good Up-Hill Horse,

So far Lane has been successful in his endeavors to a great extent, but his work has only begun. His task is great, but he is a fierce campaigner, a magnetic orator and possessed of an imagery of language and a forcefulness of logic that convince as they persuade. His fight is an uphill one, and as one of his stalwarts says: "Lane is an uphill horse."

There are those who are anxious to make this a candidacy of men and not platforms. None is more eager to do this than Lane. In his last speech he said: "This campaign is not a question of policies, it is not a question of platforms, it it not a question of pronunciamentos, it is not a question of proclamations; it is a question of men."

Union Labor for Schmitz.

The union labor vote, always strong in San Francisco, is fast about the banner of Schmitz. Every car conductor, every gripman, the factory hands all wear buttons upon which is the picture of their leader. They are firm in their devotion to him and the efforts to gain from him for Lane have so far been baffled.

As zealous in his behalf as are the laboring classes, just so bitterly opposed to him is the commercial world. The choice of the latter is Crocker first, Lane next and no third. "Rather an empty chair than Schmitz," is a bye-word below Montgomery street.

This statement is not without reason Ask a business man why he is so bitter against the present Mayer and he will answer: "What has Schmitz ever done

### for us?". If you are a San Franciscian then answer: "That's right, what did he ever do for the business men?" Appointments Against Him.

The appointments of the last administration have been notorious. From the inefficient president of the Board of Pub-Divided Labor Vote Will grand entre into politics guided a truck through the crowded thoroughfares, down to the selection this week of Reagan as Newhall's successor as a Police Commis-sioner, his appointers have been picked

out solely for their union proclivities. Business men have been removed from handling the city's business affairs and narble-cutters and street sweepers substituted-men who utterly lack in the experience which the positions demand.

It is no wonder then that in this exremity the business interests have joined to break the bounds which have made them the financial supporters of San Fran-cisco, but rank outsiders in the administration of its affairs. "Let us have something to say as to the expenditure of the millions we contribute," they argue. So reasoning they have chosen a representative business man and hope to install him on January 1. The most enthusiastic, however, admit that Crocker's is a hard fight and that Schmitz is an obstinate enemy.

The Crocker managers have taken their andidate into the heart of the enemy's country. Below Market in the Mission district Crocker unfolds his plans for city government to the crowds of union men who dwell there.

"If I am elected Mayor," he says, "I shall see to it that the workingman gets all that is due him, but I shall also see to it that the taxpayer gets full results for the money expended.

A peculiar phase of the situation is the stand the newspapers have taken on the coming election. The Chronicle, Call and Post are enthusiastic for Crocker, the Bulletin is Lane's mainstay, while the Examiner is showing an equally motherly interest in Schmitz and Lane, somewhat to the latter's advantage, it is thought.

M. H. de Young and John D. Spreckels, respectively of the Chronicle and Call, are the moving spirits of the United Republican League. By the Bulletin it is pointed out that De Young has not backed a winner in 12 years, and that paper has argument to show that the hoodoo will remain. In the first place Ruef's bolt to Schmitz left a gap in the Republican League. Today George P. Adams, assistant secretary of the League, crossed through the lines to the Ruef camp, widening the chasm in the Republican file.

Comparison of Candidates, Roughly summarized, in character Lane,

Schmitz and Crocker stand, high among their fellow men. In experience, Schmitz has his two years of office alone. Before he was a fiddler at the Columbia Theater. Lane has long been a city official, serving at the present time as City Attorney. He is a brilliant lawyer, a clear thinker and a student. He was educated in Call-fornia and in the East. He was for years employed on the Chronicle and served for a time as managing editor of the Examiner.

Crocker was raised in California and has been identified with the growth of the state. He is the director of large sailed and even now when the family commercial interests. He is conservative and cautious. He has had a broad experience in the affairs of life.

In associations it is safe to say that the party machine would not be allowed to clog the wheels of government with Lane or Crocker to a greater degree than under the Schmitz regime. Crocker Depends on Labor Split,

At the end of the week Schmitz finds himself as strong as before with the laboring element, but with no vestige of sympathy elsewhere. Lane is forming plans to break into Schmitz' forces and claim their votes. This done, Crocker will be Mayor. If Union Labor splits, Democracy, being already halved, a solid Republican vote will place Crocker in the City Hall. Crocker is sure of his party's backing and of the ald of the unclaimed wing of the Democrats.

Lane to win must cement his party and rout Schmitz, not merely defeat him, but annihilate him. But then Schmitz is not in a position to be easily annihilated, and as he stands he is a formidable opponent.

Schwab Is Uncommunicative. NEW YORK, Oct. 11 .- Charles M.

Schwab spent part of today in this city, where he was in the company of Max Pam. He was not willing to make any statement regarding the charges of coun-sel for the bondholders of the United or Company, but he contradicted a report that he was evading service of a subpena.

Paterson People Feel Relief.

RETAINING WALLS HOLD

Work of Rescue Goes On in Submerged District.

SOAKED BUILDINGS COLLAPSE

Passale River Cutting the Town in Twain, Carries Away Bridges, Cutting Off Communication-Men in Perilous Position.

### DAMAGE TO PATERSON.

Submersion of mill plants and great quantity of raw material has thrown out of employment thousa of people at Paterson, N. J. It will be a long time before they can re-turn to work. It is estimated that the loss from flood will be far in excess of that caused by Paterson's recent disastrous fire, when \$6,000,000 worth of property went up in smoke, There was an insurance on this of more than \$4,000,000, while the loss in excess of \$2,000,000 now estimated from water is without insurance,

PATERSON, N. J., Oct. 11.-With the vaters of the Passaic River falling at the rate of an inch an hour above the falls and at double that rate below them. apprehension of further great disaster to the city from the flood has almost disappeared, the sole question being whether Spruce Street Hill, the narrow embankment that holds the water above the falls, can continue to withstand the strain until the river recedes to its normal

At the height of the flood this hill, Passatc has 800 flooded houses; 10,000 have left standing between the river basin above the falls and the lower valley, was cav- Borlington is shut off from supplies, and ing rapidly into the gorge below the falls. It was feared today that the flood would wash away the dike and precipitate itself in a huge wall upon that por tion of the city lying below.

Dike Holds Back Flood A dike but little wider than the Spruce

street roadway stood between the city and this disaster, but tonight it was holdsure of its permanency, though prohibiting access to it for fear that it might be undermined.

Below the falls a large part of the city, situated in the valley on either side of the river, was still inundated tonight, but the waters were receding rapidly, having fallen 28 inches from flood height at 6 P. M., though still several inches above the maximum height of the flood of 1902,

Care for the Homeless. Thousands of persons are temporarily

comeless, most of them being received at the houses of friends in the unflooded district, while 1500 were sheltered tonight at the Armory, fed and cared for by the organized charity of the city. No assistance has been asked from outside, and the city will look after its destitute.

Today many persons who had remained in their homes in the flooded districts were removed and food was conveyed to those who remained, the fire department for that purpose rigging up emergency lines from roof to roof with cars suspended thereon. It will be impossible to closely estimate the loss until the flood subsides, but it will exceed \$2,000,000,

Three Bridges Still Stand, But three bridges and part of a fourth of the seven below the falls remain, and the cost to the country to replace those destroyed will be at least \$500,000. The

three bridges standing are on substantial concrete. They are completely covered by water.

Only three fatalities have been reported. Seven men who had been imprisoned in Kearns Bros.'- dyehouse - on the river front since Friday without food were rescued late today.

Throughout Passaic County bridges have been washed away, roads destroyed and property and crops ruined. The loss in the county outside of Paterson will equal that inside the city.

Pneumonia Epidemic Feared. On account of the exposure of many of the sufferers to the downpour of cold rain last night an epidemic of pneumonia is feared.

WORK ON RETAINING WALLS. Mayor Superintends Large Force of Workers.

PATERSON, N. J., Oct. 11 .- Flood con ditions at Paterson improved but little throughout the night. Early morning saw the waters at their maximum and although the danger to life and property still is great there was a general feeling of relief today because of the fact that several of the bigger retaining walls and water gates had been able to withstand

the rush of the flood. Throughout the day hundreds of men under the superintendence of Mayor Hinchcliffe were at work strengthening these walls and gates.

Little Loss of Life.

Scores of persons were rescued from their homes. A great many dwelling-houses collapsed, and many more are ready to collapse, but it is believed that there has been little loss of life.

For nearly 48 hours Paterson has been at the mercy of the Passaic River. The waters have maintained a height sufficient to cut the western half of the city from the eastern, and almost all means of communication by bridges have been destroyed. Two bridges above the falls remain, but approach to them is impossible. Three bridges below the valley of the

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China Was Guilty of Bad Faith.

## SO SAYS MINISTER LESSAR

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## SAYS CONVENTION HAS LAPSED

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### JAPS TAKE INITIATIVE.

BERLIN, Oct. 12 .- A dispatch from Shanghai to the Frankfurter Zeitung states that news has reached there from Chefoo to the effect that the Japanese have occupied Masampho, and that an official declaration of war is expected.

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YOKOHAMA, Oct. 11.-Baron Von Rosen, the Russian Minister to Japan, is still awaiting instructions from his government in the matter of the negotiations now proceeding between Japan and Russia.

A Russian regiment from Baikal military district is reported to have arrived . at Fong Cheen Ting, about 150 miles northwest of Pekin and 90 miles from the

Russian frontier. M. Lessar, Russian Minister to China, has announced that the Manahurian convention has lapsed. The Manchurian convention between

Russia and China was signed April & 1902, and, according to it, the evacuation of the three Manchurlan provinces was to be carried out in three successive periods of six months from the signing.

Note That Gives Excuses A note of M. Lessar was appended to the convention declaring that "if the Chinese government, notwithstanding the assurances given by it, violates any provision of the convention, the Russian government will not hold itself bound either by the terms of the Manchurian agreement or by the declarations previous ly made in connection with the matter

responsibility and consequences that might arise therefrom." China was to be permitted to maintain whatever force she thought necessary in Manchuria after the evacuation of that territory. Russia also agreed, if Tientsin was restored by the allies to the Chinesa within the first six months to evacuate Nin Chwang at the time this restoration

was made.

and will be compelled to repudiate any

Ailles Turned Tientsin Over. The allies turned over Tientsin to the Chinese on August 15, last year. The convention was to have been ratifled within three months, but this was not done. Last month M. Lessar, in his note to the Chinese Foreign Board, promised to begin the evacuation of Manchuria October 8, providing China accepted several conditions, which China has refused to do.

### Great Britain. NOT TOO LATE YET,

under pressure principally from Japan and

War Between Russia and Japan Can Be Very Enally Prevented. BERLIN, Oct. 11 .- Russia and Japan act as though either would fight if the other should hold immovably to the position taken at the last exchange of communications. This is the actual situation as understood officially from reports received from the German Embassy at St. Peters-

burg and the German Legation at Tokio,

Yet this mutual attitude at hostile prep-

arations by both countries is still regarded

here as not excluding an honorable arrangement. Neither government has gone so far that it must fight or be humiliated, but either Cabinet by a single step can put the other in that position. This delicate balance may, of course, be violently disturbed any day, though no ultimature has yet been

thrown on either side. It is believed here officially that war, should it occur, would be between Russia. and Japan alone, and that neither England nor France would be involved. Frederick the Great's remark was quoted to the Associated Press correspondent as ilfustrating the present posture of affairs; "Negotiations without weapons behind you are like a musical tone without instruments."

## RUMORS THAT DISAGREE. Hostilities Are Nevertheless Be-

lieved to Be Imminent. LONDON, Oct. II .- The correspondent of the Morning Post at Chefoo, telegraphing October 10, says:

"It is stated that the Japanese have decided to declare hostilities tomorrow on the expiration of their ultimatum to Rusgia. The Russian fleet has cleared from Port Arthur. It is reported that the Japanese are landing troops at Masanpho,

many favors hostilities on the ground that it would enable her to extend her sphere of influence in China. "A number of field guns were embarked

"There are strong indications that Ger-

at Port Arthur yesterday for an unknown destination. All the available force of workmen is employed on the fortifications.

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GREAT FIGURES IN THE PRESENT POLITICAL UPHEAVAL IN ENGLAND



Alfred Lyttleton, the New Colonial Secretary.



Earl of Spencer, Who May Be Prime Minister if Liberals Win.