

AGRES OF FLAMES

Conflagration Destroys Three Lumber Plants

ESTIMATED LOSS \$355,000

Firemen Powerless to Cope With Fury of Flames.

WATER SUPPLY INADEQUATE

Plants of Multnomah Trunk & Box Company, Day Lumber Company and Ira F. Powers Furniture Company Are Destroyed.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Estimated Loss. Includes Multnomah Trunk & Box Company, Day Lumber Company, Ira F. Powers Furniture Company, and Insurance.

A little tongue of flame among some shavings in the engine-room of the Day Lumber Company on the Macadam road grew in a moment to a roaring blaze that chased the frightened watchman from the building, leaped to the roof, ate up acres of piled lumber, and destroyed utterly the plants of the lumber company, the Powers Furniture Company and the Multnomah Box & Trunk Company.

For two hours the fire lashed and roared at the tolling firemen. Giant billows of flame topped hundreds of feet high in the air. The busy streams of water which the laboring engines threw into the maelstrom of fire were swallowed up like the trickle from a watering can. The fiery tempest beat the firemen back from the long elevated roadways lined with lumber, and then roared untrammelled and un hindered among the sawmills, offices and storehouses of the three stricken companies. So terrific was the heat generated in the blazing area that at one time a miniature cyclone of flame or a fire-spout formed in the air and a twisting column of fire reaching at least 200 feet into the air tore across the burning district like a tornado.

ORIGIN OF THE FIRE.

Started Among Shavings in Engine-Room of Lumber Company. The fire started in the engine-room of the Day mill, while Nightwatchman Sherman Haines was feeding sawdust to the furnace through the chute that leads from the fuel bin to the fires. Haines says that while poking the shavings and sawdust through the chute a sort of explosion took place in the furnace, throwing the fire back up the chute and into the bin. "I was poking sawdust through the chute to the fires about 11 o'clock," said Haines. "Suddenly there came a puff of fire up the chute and into the bin. Before I could make a move, the shavings in the bin were on fire. I tried as best I could to extinguish them, but in three seconds the whole bin was a mass of flames, and I barely escaped with my life. When I jumped from the bin the flames had leaped to the roof, and I hurried to the whistle and summoned what aid I could in that manner, and then ran to the fire-alarm bell and sent in a call."

When seen by a reporter, Haines was in bed at the Riverside Hotel, where he had been taken to have his wounds dressed. His face and hands were badly burned and he was suffering much pain.

The alarm came from box No. 73, at the corner of Macadam and Thomas streets, at about 11:30 o'clock. The first alarm was quickly followed by the second, and Engines 1 and 5, Hose 2 and Truck 2 responded. The second alarm brought Engines 3 and 4, Hose 1 and Hose 3 and Truck 1. The different equipments responded in good time, and the fire was covered in a remarkably short time, the big Truck No. 1 making the run in a little less than 15 minutes.

Fanned by the light southwest wind that was blowing the flames spread with incredible rapidity. Ten minutes after the fire started in the Day mill the entire mill was a mass of flames, and all hopes of saving any part of the concern were given up, and every effort went to protecting the Powers mill, some small buildings of which had already taken fire.

The Powers mill started burning about 11:49 o'clock, and the flames licked up the dry wooden buildings as though they were made of paper. The firemen worked like demons, but the cause was a lost one almost from the first, and ten minutes after the Powers mill caught fire the Multnomah Box & Trunk Factory was in flames. At 1 o'clock the hottest fire that ever raged in Portland lit up the river front and surrounding country for miles around. The fire at that time extended from the river nearly to Macadam street, and from the Day mill docks to the Multnomah Box & Trunk Factory supply yards, a distance of more than a quarter of a mile. The heat became so intense that the crowds of people standing five blocks away from the flames were driven back up the hill that rises from Macadam street.

While the roofs of the Powers mill were yet burning the plant of the Multnomah Box & Trunk Company caught and within half an hour practically every building of the big plant was either afire or smoldering. This was the crisis of the conflagration. Ten acres of lumber and tinder-like buildings were roaring furnace, and the puny streams of the fire engines were useless.

Many Men Save Trunks.

Some 200 new trunks were stored in the storehouse of the Multnomah Trunk & Box Company. Led by E. H. Wrenn, president of the company, a gang of men smashed in the doors of the warehouse and hauled away the trunks to a place of safety. The trunks were practically all that was saved from the three plants except the books and a few pieces of small machinery.

In the trunk factory alone seven buildings were on fire. The flames ate their way along a level roadway, and the hot breath of the fire touched off every building structure in a few moments. Less than 45 minutes after the trunks had been rescued the warehouse was a mass of flames. A stream of water was kept playing on the western wall that it might act as a barrier to the outward march of the fire. This scheme was successful, and at 2 o'clock the fire was under control. Two dozen residences and the factory of the Day Lumber Company, three blocks northward on the Macadam Road, were saved by the wall of cold water.

At no time did the fire cross the track of the Yamhill division of the Southern Pacific to do serious damage. Three shanties near the Day factory were in great danger, and constantly caught fire. Officer Connors smashed in the door of one, whose neighbor's roof was just catching from the heat. In the shanty he found two men, peacefully sleeping. "Carry out my trunk," ordered one of the sleepers.

High up on the roof of the annex of the Day factory three men directed a small and trickling stream of water upon the warmed surface of the main building. By this time the wind had set in more from the westward and the heat was directed away from this building, the only structure of any size in the three plants to escape.

Fire Under Control at 2 A. M.

At 2 o'clock Chief Campbell declared the fire under control. At many points the heat was yet insupportable to the firemen. They could scarcely procure a drink of water except from the leaks in the hose. Chief Campbell tried an experiment in hitching together two engines out of the four on the ground and pumping water 300 feet to the fire. This had never before been done in Portland, and under the circumstances such action was necessary. Another engine was placed south of the trunk factory, and galled its water directly from the Willamette.

Practically every piece of apparatus in the city was called out by the repeated calls, but only four could be placed to advantage. The fire covered a great area, but there was not enough water to go around. All the buildings had private hose of their own, and the employees as they arrived on the scene from their homes nearby hitched these to the hydrants out in the lumber yards. When the fire gained so much headway as to drive back every one from these pieces of hose, the hydrants could not be closed, and the pressure at the hydrants on the street to which the fire engines connected as soon as they arrived later was greatly reduced thereby.

From all sides of the fire the great cry was for water. Assistant Chief Laudenkies looked disgusted. "It isn't poor water. It's just simply no water," he said.

Chance for the Fireboat.

Although the firemen responded promptly to the call, when they arrived the fire had gained such headway that little could be done.

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SLATED TO LEAD

Iowa Man May Be Campaign Manager.

WEST TO BE HIS FIELD

J. W. Blythe, a Prominent Attorney, Is Much Favored.

BLISS NAMED AS HIS CHIEF

New Yorker Will Take Care of the Eastern End of the Fight for Roosevelt—President Has Combination Under Advisement.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 12.—At the present writing it is probable that the management of the Republican campaign will be placed in the hands of Cornelius N. Bliss, of New York, as chairman. While Bliss will be in control of the Eastern headquarters, the actual control of the campaign will be under J. W. Blythe, attorney of the Burlington railroad, with headquarters in Chicago.

Just how long this combination will be allowed to stand is hard to predict. Nobody can truthfully say that this comes direct from the President, but it does come from men who have talked with the President and who hope such arrangement will be made.

Blythe is one of the most popular men in Iowa, and is really at the head of the Republican organization of that state, and has extensive acquaintance everywhere. His selection to manage the Western end of the campaign would be eminently satisfactory to many of the Eastern men and corporation interests, and his personality is such that Western men would acquiesce in his selection. It is not the first time his name has been mentioned in connection with the management of a campaign, and there have been so many suggestions and so many men have been rejected that it would not be at all surprising if the combination of Bliss and Blythe should be adopted. But like many other things in politics it is extremely uncertain.

HEARST MEN BENT ON BOLTING

St. Louis Convention Is Almost Sure to Be Devoid of Harmony.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 12.—The tactics of the Hearst men indicate a bolt at the St. Louis Democratic National Convention. The fact that rump conventions were held in Indiana and the District of Columbia today, after the Hearst men had been routed by large majorities, seems to show the desperation of the element which is opposed to any reorganization of the party. If Hearst is responsible for what is going on, he evidently realizes that bolters are not forever debarred from voice in the councils of any party, as there are many instances where bolters have been taken back and given high seats.

The argument of Hearst men is that loyal Democrats who followed the National Democracy in two campaigns are now being displaced by the so-called reorganizers, and the old guard has an absolute right to work independently and go to St. Louis demanding recognition.

The attitude of the Hearst faction is giving a great deal of concern to Democrats who hoped to recoup from past disasters. They are aware that it will be almost impossible to achieve success with the Bryan element and Hearst men against them. At the same time, there are many men in the party who do not propose that the nomination shall be bought outright or the convention controlled by the strikers of any candidate. Every act of the Hearst men makes Parker's nomination more probable, as many Democrats will vote for him at once in order to prevent seeming control by the Hearst faction at St. Louis.

NO CHANGE IN BANCROFT CASE

Bristow Departs for Kansas to Look After His Senatorial Boom.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 12.—Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Bristow has gone to Kansas to see to it that his Senatorial campaign for Burton's seat does not lapse. During his absence it is not expected that final disposition will be made of Postmaster Bancroft's case. Bristow is more fully acquainted with the facts than any other man in the department, and will be consulted by the President when he comes to take action.

Northwest Postal Orders.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 12.—Rural Free-delivery carriers were appointed today as follows: Oregon—Montavilla Station, Frank M. Moore, regular; May W. Moore, substitute. Washington—Auburn, H. Hart, regular; Thomas A. Hart, substitute. H. Layson appointed postmaster at Lime, Ore.; vice J. J. Ellis, removed.

Settlers Will Be Disappointed. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 12.—The Interior Department is advised that settlers have recently rushed upon agricultural lands within the Olympic forest reserve, in Washington, believing those lands to have been opened to entry under act of the Congress just adjourned. No such act was passed, and

the rush of "sooners" is without justification. All such persons found upon the reserve would be ejected as trespassers.

Will Investigate Oregon Case.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The Secretary of the Interior, under authority of the act of February 28, today instructed Commissioner Richards to appoint a special agent to go to Oregon and conduct an investigation into the cases of the Sherman County settlers, who were dispossessed of entries or settlements within conflicting limits of the grant to the Northern Pacific Railroad and the Dalles military wagon road. The information gathered will form the basis for legislation for the relief of those settlers.

HOT SHOT FOR BALFOUR.

Israel Zaagwil Defends His Position on Anti-Semitic Question.

SPECIAL CABLE. LONDON, May 12.—Israel Zaagwil has written a letter printed in the London Times this morning, in which he says: "I see from your columns that the statement of England's catching the epidemic which is raging everywhere against the Jew being quite untrue is believed by Mr. Balfour. As this statement is mine, permit me to wonder at Mr. Balfour's apparent ignorance of what is going on. I did not, of course, imagine that the leader of the party reconstructed by an alien immigrant's grandson was himself anti-Semitic, but the design of the bill introduced with the sanction of government to restrict immigration and its effect are two distinct things. Although the government may be free from anti-Semitism, the bill in question was drafted by anti-Semites, and will inspire them. There is also flagrant Jew-baiting in Wales, Jew boycotting in Ireland, and anti-Semitic pamphleteering in Scotland. In fact, the whole country shows signs of infection. How, then, can my diagnosis that England is catching the epidemic be quite untrue? Anti-Semitism is a most serious national misfortune, and Mr. Balfour is peculiarly careless in the neighborhood of gunpowder."

DRAW THE COLOR LINE.

Bartenders Want to Get Negroes Off Buffet Cars.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 12.—The delegates to the Hotel and Restaurant International League unanimously adopted a resolution that no colored bartender in any city to colored bartenders in the States of Tennessee, Missouri, Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, Arkansas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, unless by permission of a majority of local men, that no colored bartenders be permitted to work on a traveling car in any of the states mentioned. The last provision is intended to strike down the employment of negroes on buffet cars. One reason for the resolution is that bartenders in the South are unskilled workmen.

Large Bank to Wind Up Affairs.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 12.—The directors of the National Bank of America, of this city, voted today to recommend to the stockholders that the institution be liquidated. The directors stated that active competition in the banking business of this city and the difficulty attending the securing of safe and remunerative investments render it expedient that the affairs of the institution be wound up. The bank is one of the largest National institutions in Rhode Island and has a capitalization of \$1,000,000.

Reduces Membership of 'Change.

NEW YORK, May 12.—The board of governors of the Consolidated Stock Exchange today adopted a resolution to reduce the membership of the Exchange to 100 by the purchase of memberships. In announcing this action, President Randolph said that when the number of seats purchased authority for still further reduction may be obtained.

Fight With Herreros.

BERLIN, May 12.—A dispatch was received today from the Governor of German Southwest Africa, Colonel Leutmann, with 22 men, engaged a detachment of Hereros east of Okankwinda, April 28, killing 12 of the natives and losing one man killed.

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TURNER MAY RUN

Ex-Senator Has Eye on Gubernatorial Seat

DOES NOT DENY ASPIRATION

Step on the Way to the United States Senate.

HOPES TO SUCCEED FOSTER

Chance That as Candidate for Governor He Could Carry Enough of Legislative Ticket to Insure Senatorship.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—There is a possibility the nomination of A. E. Mead, of Bellingham, for Governor, may be followed by the selection of George Turner as the Democratic nominee for that office.

This is expected by some Democratic politicians, and the tone of a special dispatch from Spokane today gives strength to the rumor that Turner is seriously considering the plan. Instead of making his usual declaration that he would not accept the nomination in any circumstance, he told a newspaper man who interviewed him:

"I do not care to say anything at present, and shall not until matters have shaped themselves."

Turner Pledged to Tolman.

Turner is in a peculiar position to make a straight-out announcement of his candidacy for Governor. He has given his pledge to Warren W. Tolman to support the Democratic State Senator for Governor, and Tolman has been counting upon McBride's defeat as a contingency that would make him the logical Democratic candidate for the office. Tolman wants the place, and wants it badly. He would not consent readily to step aside, though of course Turner could force him out of the way.

Then, again, Turner has asked the delegation from this state to the National Convention to support him as a Vice-Presidential candidate. If Turner, it is generally understood, among those who know him, wants the prestige that would follow mention in the National Convention for Vice-President. In the event of Democratic success, he would be a possibility for a Cabinet position, preferably the Attorney-General's office.

Sacrifice Would Be Great.

The question of finances is to be considered in debating Turner's probable action. He does not live within a salary such as is paid the Governor of this state, and to forsake his law practice would mean to Turner a big sacrifice of income. He has a single client which pays him more than the Governor receives.

But Turner's ambition rises above the Governor's office. He wants to go back to the United States Senate or to occupy some other exalted position in the Federal Government. If he believed that he, as candidate for Governor, could carry the Legislative ticket and insure his own election to succeed Foster, there is no doubt he would make the fight.

According to well-informed Democrats who attended the Republican State Convention, the probability of McBride's defeat and the programme the Democrats would follow was discussed at the last State Convention in Olympia, and decided against Turner's candidacy. Such men as Henry Drum, ex-chairman of the Democratic State Committee, and long a Turner leader; A. C. Little, Governor Rogers' right-hand man and ex-State Fish Commissioner; Martin Maloney, an intimate friend of Turner, and others equally as prominent in the old Rogers-Turner clique, were at the Tacoma convention, and they all insist that Turner was not to be considered a Democratic candidate.

Expected McBride Defeat.

"We knew when the Democratic convention met to elect National delegates that McBride would be defeated," it was explained by Henry Drum. "At that time we talked over the possibility of Turner's nomination, and he refused to make the fight. The actual completion of the anti-McBride programme makes no change in the situation as we foresaw it. I know that Turner will keep out of the contest."

This same view was expressed with equal positiveness by other Turner leaders. They expect the Democratic fight to be made on the railroad commission issue, and believe that a strong East Side candidate will be put at the head of the ticket.

PALMER A WILSON MAN.

Selection of Chairman a Victory for the Senator. SEATTLE, May 12.—(Special.)—The election of E. H. Palmer as chairman of the Republican State Committee has been generally interpreted as a victory for Wilson over the other Senatorial candidates. This is strengthened by Lyman's selection as secretary.

No matter how strongly Palmer endeavors to preserve a neutral attitude, the moral effect of his selection as state chairman will be to strengthen the Wilson fight. Palmer was one of the two Wilson men on the King County delegation of 1899, and he was in complete sympathy with Wilson two years ago, though held by instructions to Preston. It was Palmer who broke with C. J. Smith, of the Piles business men's committee, when the negotiations were under way a short time ago to appease the hold-over Senators. Piles approved Palmer's selection as the committee man from King, which carried with it the state chairmanship, and on behalf of Pierce County, Cushman assented to his election as to chairman. But these facts do not alter the feeling of politicians

that Wilson will contest the state organization. The announcement of Palmer's executive committee to be made later is expected to strengthen this view. Republican politicians expect a hard fight and will prepare for a systematic canvass of the state.

TORTURED BY THIBETANS.

Flesh of Servants of British Is Cut Off in Small Bits.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES

AND PORTLAND OREGONIAN. GYANGTSE, Thibet, May 12, via Kiato, Thibet, May 12.—Colonel Brander and his command have returned from Koro Pass and on Wednesday made a reconnaissance in force in the hills behind Jong and the fortified Buddhist monastery. Anticipating a serious battle, as the Thibetans were believed to be in force in the hills east of Jong, Colonel Brander took with him nearly all of the Gyangtse garrison. He pushed forward until he arrived at a small monastery, where it had been reported by scouts that a large number of Thibetan horses had been consigned. They were not found, however, and the structure was apparently inhabited only by a few aged monks from Gempa and they were not harmed. No opposition was offered by the Thibetans and Colonel Brander's column returned from the hills without encountering the enemy. They were not to go to Gyangtse unscathed, however, as while still a short distance from the gate of the compound, the enemy in Jong opened a hot fire on the British. No one was killed, and the column made the position without returning the shots.

The Thibetans continued their bombardment of Gyangtse for an hour after Colonel Brander and his command had returned to the station. Owing to the fact that Jong is situated on a high bluff, the Thibetans have a superior position, and are enabled to keep up a plunging fire which is somewhat too warm for comfort. They have the exact range of the British position, and few of their shots go wild. The Thibetans are constantly receiving reinforcements, and are working night and day extending the fortifications at Jong. The two Indian servants of Captain Parr, who were captured during the initial attack on Gyangtse on May 6, were put to death by the Thibetans after horrible torture.

The flesh was sliced from their bones in small bits, the vital spots being avoided so that the torture could be prolonged for some time. Sung, the Chinese official who was captured yesterday, has been released. He admitted that General Mar, the Chinese commander in Thibet, was directly responsible for the attack on Gyangtse, he having been warned that it was planned and falling either to try to stop it or to give warning to Colonel Younghusband and his staff, despite the fact that he (Mar) had promised to report any hostile plans against the British. The Thibetans in Jong are armed with rifles that are decidedly superior to those of the British and fire heavy-caliber bullets.

The exact distance from Younghusband's house to the top of the hill at Jong is 160 yards. Communication with the rear is not as yet cut off, but may be at any time.

AGAIN SPEAKS FOR TARIFF.

Chamberlain Is Given a Great Reception at Birmingham.

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., May 12.—Joseph Chamberlain made his first speech since his return to England at a meeting of the Liberal-Unionist Association here tonight, and received a magnificent reception. After paying a tribute to the late Joseph Howell Williams, member of Parliament for South Birmingham, he spoke for an hour and a half. Chamberlain plunged into his fiscal policy. He said the question could not be disposed of by waving the flag of expediency, and domestic concerns, but that it would remain until it was no longer a question, but a fact. The Unionist party, he said, was pledged to the policy of retaliation, and already the fiscal question was having its effect. Mr. Chamberlain said there had been less "dumping" recently, but he could not rest satisfied until the fiscal policy became effective, a general election would not come soon, but it would come in a reasonable time and might go against the Unionists. Perhaps, however, the cause would suffer if the scene should be changed. Mr. Chamberlain said, and a new piece produced which would soon be hissed off the stage.

Mr. Chamberlain spoke for an hour and a half, devoting his speech almost exclusively to his proposed fiscal policy. He repeated most of his former arguments against the tariff, and the people for the preservation of the empire.

GRAY TO SUCCEED HANNA.

Noted Jurist Is to Be Elected Head of National Civic Federation.

PHILADELPHIA, May 12.—It has been learned that Judge George Gray has been chosen by the nominating committee of the National Civic Federation to succeed the late Senator Marcus A. Hanna as president of the Federation. At the recent meeting of the Federation the matter of filling the vacancy caused by Senator Hanna's death was delegated to a nominating committee composed of Bishop Potter and President John Mitchell, of the United Mine workers. The election of Judge Gray is to be deferred until after the National Democratic Convention in St. Louis, for fear it might seem that the Federation is leaning in making a possible Presidential candidate conspicuous or important.

Gray Has Not Heard of It.

WILMINGTON, Del., May 12.—Judge Gray, when informed tonight that he had been agreed upon for the National Civic Federation to succeed the late Senator Hanna, said he had not heard of his election. Judge Gray was not inclined to discuss the matter.

Mothers' Congress Opens.

CHICAGO, May 12.—The first business meeting of the National Congress of Mothers opened here today, with Mrs. Frederick Schöff presiding. Mrs. Schöff declared that the organization is responsible for the Washington investigation of Senator Reed Smoot's right to a seat in Congress. President Schöff admitted that some others had also gone to the front in the Smoot matter, but she held firmly that the mothers' congress was won and should wear the success feather. Corresponding Secretary Mrs. Edwin C. Grice, in support of Mrs. Schöff's claim, said that nearly all the mothers had written letters on the subject to United States Senators.

BODY IN CHIMNEY

Remains of Missing Girl Are Found.

MET DEATH WHILE AT PLAY

Parents of Youngster Feared She Had Been Kidnaped.

REWARD OF \$3850 OFFERED

Part of the Masonry Has to Be Torn Away Before the Body Can Be Taken Out.

NEW YORK, May 12.—The body of 6-year-old Joseph McCahill, who had been missing since May 2, was found tonight in the chimney at her home on Third avenue. The body was lodged near the top of the chimney, and it was necessary to tear away part of the masonry to release it. The McCahill case has attracted much attention, the belief being that the child was kidnaped. Rewards aggregating \$3850 were offered by various persons for her recovery, and mass meetings were held to consider plans for conducting the search. An examination of the body disclosed that it was decomposed but that it had not been mutilated. Children of the neighborhood have been accustomed to hiding in the chimneys while on the roofs at play, and the police believe the McCahill girl climbed onto the chimney and fell into it.

TELLS OF SALE OF OFFICES.

Former New York Policeman Now in Prison Talks Freely.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Eudolph Beyers, a former policeman, now serving a six months' sentence in the penitentiary for taking money from police candidates, has made a statement, according to the World, in which he gives the names of the influential persons through whom candidates were secured positions in the police and fire departments by the use of money. Beyers, it is said, corroborated in detail a statement made to the District Attorney by E. A. Sonner, who is serving a short sentence on charges similar to those against the ex-policeman. A vigorous examination is being made and developments are expected in the near future. According to the World, "the man higher up," who received the bulk of the money collected for jobs in the Fire Department, is one of the best-known men in town, and held office under the city government for several years. One of the men influential in the Police Department is said to have been formerly a high official, while the other is still in office.

FAIR PALACES INSPECTED.

St. Louis Officials Visit the Various Exhibits.

ST. LOUIS, May 12.—After a five hours' tour of inspection of the World's Fair grounds by the different officials and heads of departments, comprising the entire management of the Exposition, the following statement was given to the Associated Press as expressing the sentiments of all: "The National Commission, the officers and directors, the board of lady managers and the various domestic committees, have just completed five hours' inspection of the 12 exhibit places. We wish to announce to the public that the exhibits are installed in all exhibit palaces and present the most marvelous collection of the accomplishments of mankind ever witnessed. (Signed) DAVID R. FRANCIS, President of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. "THOMAS H. CARTER, President National Commission. "M. MARGARET MANNING, President Board of Lady Managers."

MOROS WILL BE PUNISHED.

General Wood Will Promptly Avenge Slaying of Americans.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The War Department has received from General Wade, commanding the United States troops in the Philippines, the following cable report of the ambush of the detachment of Company F, Sixteenth Infantry in Mindanao, dated Manila, today: "While on a reconnaissance to locate Datto Ali, who had been sending in threatening messages and trying to stir up trouble, a detachment of Company F, Seventeenth Infantry, consisting of 29 enlisted men, was attacked by Moros near Laganan, Mindanao, on the 8th inst. First Lieutenant Harry A. Woodruff, Second Lieutenant Joseph H. Hall and 15 enlisted men were killed, and five enlisted men wounded. "General Wood has ordered troops to proceed and recover the bodies and arms of our injured and to punish the offenders. No further details have been received."

Will Support Miles for President.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 12.—David Overmeier, one of the delegates-at-large from Kansas to the Democratic National Convention, announced tonight that he would make every effort to have the Kansas delegation support General Miles for the Democratic nomination for President. Kansas Democrats have chosen an unstructured delegation. Hearst claims half of the pumber, Overmeier has been looked upon as a Hearst man. He says the Democrats could easily elect General Miles.

Killed During Target-Practice.

JUNCTION CITY, Kan., May 12.—Private Charles of Troop B, Fourth Cavalry, was killed at Fort Riley today during target practice. He exposed himself behind the target and was struck in the head by a bullet.

DEMONSTRATION ON SEPIA PAPER. An Expert from the Factory will demonstrate the use of EASTMAN'S SEPIA PAPER in our Photographic Department on SATURDAY AFTERNOON from 2 to 5. EVERYBODY INVITED. BLUMAUER-FRANK DRUG CO. 142-146 FOURTH STREET