

## LIGHTNING HITS MERRY BATHERS

Huddled Under Bathhouse at Coney Island to Escape a Terrific Storm.

## FIVE SLAIN; NINE INJURED

Bolt Strikes the Flagstaff and Is Grounded in Thicket of the Crowd—Car Is Set on Fire in New York.

**DESTRUCTION BY LIGHTNING.**  
Five killed and nine injured at Coney Island.  
One man killed and three made unconscious at Gravesend beach.  
Streetcar destroyed by fire in Manhattan.  
Lights extinguished in Bellevue Hospital and patients greatly terrified.

NEW YORK, July 30.—During a thunderstorm of terrific intensity which passed over New York this afternoon five persons were struck by lightning and instantly killed and nine were seriously injured at the Parkway Bath, Coney Island. At the same time one man was killed and three others prostrated at Gravesend beach. Those killed are: GEORGE DUNWOODIE, Buffalo, N. Y.; ROBERT F. WACH, Bronx borough; CHARLES HENRIKSEN, Coney Island; FRANK BENNETT, Brooklyn; HENRY RANSEWILER, Brooklyn. The injured—David Williams, James Dunn, Mary Christensen, Harry Kohn, Clara Thiel, Mary L. Curley, Isaac Rast and wife, Amelia Schen, William Ranswiler, John Apple, Daniel McCauley, all of Brooklyn. The intense heat of the morning attracted a great multitude to the shore resorts, and late in the afternoon the storm blew up from the westward, the park and beach was thronged with bathers and spectators. The rain descended in torrents and hundreds of men, women and children sought shelter under the big bathhouse, which is elevated above the sand on piles.

## Terrific Storm Rages.

The lightning was incessant and terrific thunder claps shook the bathhouse, to the terror of the crowd huddled together beneath it. A few minutes before 5 o'clock a bolt struck the flagstaff and grounded in the very thicket of the crowd. Scarcely 50 persons were prostrated and the crowd rushed out into the storm. Those who had remained in the water were also panic stricken and ran in all directions, not daring to enter the bathhouse, which appeared to be on fire.

Ambulances were summoned from all the nearest hospitals and, on their arrival five persons were found dead and nine unconscious under the bathhouse. The bodies of all were scorched by the electric fluid.

The nine injured were removed to the hospital, where it was said that some probably would die. Many persons less seriously hurt were taken home by friends. A slight fire in the bathhouse was quickly extinguished by the rain.

## Killed While Under Tree.

About the same time Henry Ranswiler was struck and killed while sheltering under a tree at Gravesend beach, and his son William, with John Apple and Daniel McCauley, were rendered unconscious.

Lightning struck at various points in the city. A store in Flushing avenue, Brooklyn, was burned, and a car in Sixth avenue, Manhattan, was set on fire, but the occupants escaped unhurt.

The electric light and the telephone wires in Bellevue Hospital were struck several times, extinguishing all lights and causing much alarm among the patients.

## CALIFORNIA SPECIAL WRECKED

One Man Killed, Four Fatally, and a Score Otherwise Injured.

CHICAGO, July 30.—A broken axle of the wheel of a smoking-car caused the wrecking of the California Special, on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, at Lamont last night. When one man was killed outright, four persons fatally injured and a score of other passengers received injuries. The identification of the man killed is still in doubt, but he is supposed to be John Gruber, an Italian laborer of Sunnyvale, Utah. The fatally injured are:

William MacVeach, Joliet, Ill., right arm crushed and left amputated, right side and leg crushed.

L. L. Moody, Cleveland, O., skull fractured.

Annetti Gubbeni, Italian, badly crushed and burned by fire that started in coach by the wreck.

Unidentified Italian laborer, skull fractured and chest crushed.

## Auto Hit by Trolley-Car.

CAMDEN, N. J., July 31.—An automobile in which John R. Valentine, a well-known society man of Philadelphia, his wife and two friends, were riding, was struck by a trolley car here early this morning. Mrs. Valentine sustained a fracture of the collar bone and Mr. Valentine was cut and bruised about the head and face. They were taken to the Cooper Hospital.

## Yachts Meet With Disaster.

RACINE, Wis., July 30.—Two boats which started out of Chicago in the race to Mackinac Island and Macatawa Bay, came near being lost near here. The Violet Louisa was driven high and dry on the shore at North Point, barely escaping disaster. She was pulled off by a tug. The Minnie, had her starboard abraded carried away and pin rail damaged, but the crew said they would finish if the wind came in the night.

## Find Weather Too Heavy.

PORT HURON, Mich., July 30.—Only one of the three yachts which started in the race to Mackinac Island, the Star, owned by R. A. Alger, Jr., of Detroit, is sailing. The crews of the yachts Sultana and City of the Straits found the weather too

## FAITH IN WILSON

### NEIGHBORLY CALLS MADE

President Roosevelt Does Not Receive Official Visitors.

OYSTER BAY, July 30.—The President, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and several of their children, attended the morning services at Christ Episcopal Church today. No official visitors were received by the President. The calls made by neighboring relatives and friends were informal.

### General Randall at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, July 31.—Major-General George M. Randall arrived from San Francisco today to take charge of the Northern Division of the United States Army, with headquarters in St. Louis. He succeeds Brigadier-General Theodore J. Wint, who has been temporarily commanding the division since Major-General John C. Bates left for Washington, D. C., June 16.

General Randall, for the past two years, has been in command of the Department of Luzon. He will retire on October 8 next because of the age limit.

### Root Starts for Labrador.

UTICA, N. Y., July 30.—Secretary of State Root and Colonel Sanger, ex-Assistant Secretary of War, accompanied by Mr. Root's sons, Elihu, Jr., and Edward, today left Utica for Montreal, from where they go to St. John and from there will sail for Labrador. They expect to be absent a month.

### Bishop Hargrove Dying.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., July 30.—Bishop R. K. Hargrove, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is reported in a dying condition at his home here. Infirmities of old age caused the bishop to resign the presidency of Vanderbilt University Board of Trustees this Spring.

### Butterworth May Recover.

BOSTON, July 30.—The physicians attending Ezekiah Butterworth, the author and poet, who is ill at his home in this city, expressed tonight hope of the author's ultimate recovery. Mr. Butterworth is suffering from nervous prostration.

### Root Party Reaches Montreal.

MONTREAL, July 30.—Elihu Root, Secretary of State, and his party arrived here tonight. Mr. Root will leave in the morning for Sydney, C. B. Mr. Root and his party are on the way to Newfoundland and Labrador on a hunting trip.

## TELLS WHY HE BELIEVES

Rev. J. Q. A. Henry Gives Three Reasons for Faith.

Vacant seats were at a premium last night when Rev. J. Q. A. Henry preached at the White Temple from the last chapter of the prophet Isaiah 18th verse: "Come, now, let us reason together, saith the Lord. Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

The minister took this for a text in describing why he was a Christian, and proceeded to give three cogent reasons for his faith in his doctrines. "I desire to express special emphasis upon the word reason," he said, "because many men and women have accepted Christ without asking themselves why they have surrendered themselves to Jesus. My first reason is based upon the fact that I am to live forever, because Christianity demands a life beyond the grave."

He made extensive quotations from the Bible in support of the theory of eternal existence, but claimed that while everlasting life was guaranteed to every human soul, only that of the Christian became immortal.

His second reason was found in the fact that he was a sinner; that Christianity, while recognizing his sinful condition and desperate needs, had come to deal with his sins, and that Jesus Christ, by the power of his blood, proper to cleanse hearts so that the old record was wiped out by the crimson tide that flowed on Calvary. "Christ alone proposed to cancel all my sins right in the idea that there was a personal Savior, and he thought that the man who refused to accept Jesus Christ shut himself out from the human thought and sympathy. He cited numerous instances in which Christ was indispensable to the human soul, and said that the followers of Christ represented the best elements of society, and that no noble instinct was transcribed in his doctrines, while infidelity had offered no solace to humanity, and no soul had been uplifted by its teachings.

In eloquent terms the divine asked what substitute had been accorded by agnosticism and skepticism. "Until they were in a position to demonstrate something that could take the place of Christian precepts," continued the speaker, "I will say 'away with you away with you' and cling to my mother's God."

He said that he would rather take the lives of his three motherless daughters with his own hands than to leave them bereft of Christian influence. In the speaker's estimation every Christian died well—ready for the end—and in direct contrast he depicted in vivid terms the human condition of celebrated infidels on their deathbeds, and said there was no instance where an unbeliever died well. He told how Voltaire's nurse had proclaimed that she never wanted to witness such a ghastly scene again, of how Gambetta kept repeating "Good-bye" until the final end, and how Richard Proctor, the great astronomer, moaned out in his agony, "I have made a great mistake—there is a hell, and I am lost, lost!"

"All the sorrow and all the risks," said Mr. Henry, "are on the side of the rejection of Jesus Christ. No man can prove that there is no God; no man can prove that there is no life beyond the grave, and it is upon the ground of reason alone that I appeal to you to accept Jesus Christ."

### Wesleyan Church Dedicated.

The Wesleyan Methodist Church in Center Addition, on the Montavilla railway, was dedicated yesterday by Rev. A. W. Hall, one of the leading ministers of that denomination. Services were held in the morning at 10 o'clock, when the dedication proper took place. Rev. Mr. Hall delivered an eloquent and forcible discourse. There was a large attendance of members from the neighborhood and from abroad. In the evening Rev. Mr. Hall again preached a gospel sermon.

### COLUMBIA RIVER EXCURSIONS.

Very Low Rates Via the O. R. & N. to Upper River Points.

No visitor to Portland should miss viewing the matches between Columbia River scenery between Portland and The Dalles, as seen from the O. R. & N. train. The Chicago-Portland special leaves the Union Station every morning at 9:11, giving a daylight ride along the Columbia, stopping 4 minutes at the very foot of Multnomah Falls. Every day the trip there is something new and fascinating. If desired, the return trip may be made by boat from Cascade Locks or The Dalles. Very low rates this Summer. Particulars and Summer Book by asking C. W. Stinger, City Ticket agent O. R. & N. Co., Third and Washington streets.

### Woman Loses Her Mind.

Because the Sheriff had closed her furniture store at 326 Washington street, Mrs. Minnie Wendroth became demented last night and broke open a window and door of her store. She was placed under arrest and lodged in the City Jail for the night.

## FAITH IN WILSON

### President Leaves Investigation in His Hands.

TO CLEAN OUT "GRAFT"

Already Many Employees Under the Secretary of Agriculture Have Been Quietly Dropped From Pay-Roll for Cause.

### SUMMER SCALP LUXURY

Hot weather is very trying to the scalp. You'll notice at this season that the hair, unless you have plenty of leisure to devote to its care, becomes either dry and parched or excessively oily and sticky. The scalp is in an itchy, irritated condition and there is a desire to relieve this feeling by rubbing or scratching.

It is probable Secretary Wilson would have come to Oyster Bay before this, had it not been for the unsettled condition of his department, which rendered it practically impossible for him to leave Washington. He is pressing every phase of the investigations now in progress and will develop every fact of the which the country ought to know.

That the President is confident the Secretary will purge the department of any scandal that may attach to it is evidenced by the fact that he has not interfered with the pending investigations. All matters brought to his attention have been turned over to Secretary Wilson with instructions to inquire into them. This the Secretary has done, and his work has the approval of the President.

It is the determination of both the President and Secretary Wilson to clear the Department of Agriculture of any form of "graft." To this end the likelihood is that every bureau of the department will be inquired into carefully with a view to ascertaining whether any such conditions exist as were developed in the Bureau of Statistics.

Quietly but effectively Secretary Wilson has been working to clean out for many months. Many employees of the department have been dropped from the rolls, practically without the knowledge of the general public. Some have been dismissed outright, while others have been permitted to resign. Assurances are given that no stone will be left unturned to eliminate every taint of scandal in the Department of Agriculture.

Wilson Leaves Washington.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Secretary Wilson left here today, presumably for Oyster Bay, to confer with the President regarding the recent investigations in the Department of Agriculture.

TO OVERSEE LAND OPENING

### Commissioner Richards Takes Civil Force to Grand Junction, Colo.

DENVER, July 30.—United States Land Commissioner W. A. Richards, who spent the night in this city left today for Grand Junction, Colo., one of the towns selected for registration of homesteaders in the Uintah Reservation, Utah, which has been thrown open to settlement.

Commissioner Richards will superintend the registration and brought with him 24 Government clerks to aid in the clerical work. If any additional help is needed it will be secured on the ground. The work of registration will commence Tuesday next and reports from Grand Junction indicate that a considerable number of persons have arrived there to have their names enrolled.

In a printed interview Mr. Richards is credited with saying that while there was plenty of good land in the reservation, the amount had been exaggerated. He also stated that compared with other reservations opened to settlement the Uintah land was not so good.

### AFRICA NO HOME FOR JEWS

OFFER OF GREAT BRITAIN DECLINED BY ZIONISTS.

Principle Is Firmly Maintained That Colony Should Be Established in Palestine.

BASLE, Switzerland, July 30.—By an overwhelming majority, the Zionist Congress this afternoon decided not to accept the offer of Great Britain of a tract of land in East Africa for the formation of a Zionist colony.

A special sitting of the congress was called for 9 o'clock last evening for the discussion of this subject, four orators supporting and four opposing Great Britain's proposition. The debate lasted for over six hours, and President Nordau eventually suspended the sitting, owing to the tumultuous scenes. The sitting was resumed at noon today, when the committee having the matter in hand presented the following resolution:

"That the Zionist Congress firmly maintains the principle for the foundation of the colony in the Jewish fatherland, Palestine, or in the vicinity. The congress thanks Great Britain for her offer of African territory, the consideration of which, however, is terminated, and hopes that Great Britain will continue to aid in the solution of the Jewish question."

The resolution was adopted by a large majority, amid loud protests from the Social section, the members of which left the building. The sitting was concluded with enthusiastic cheering.

A second session of the congress was held tonight, calm prevailing throughout. President Nordau requests Mr. Greenberg to convey the thanks of the Zionists to the British government for its East African offer.

Mr. Leon, in the name of the American delegates, proposed a vote of gratitude to the memory of John Hay, who has often lent assistance to the Jewish people.

The new status of the Jewish nation will come up for discussion at the next session.

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## TAFT PARTY IS CHEERED

### HEARTY FAREWELL IS GIVEN AT KIOTO.

Great Crowd Waits at the Station, and Ovation Continues Until the Train Starts.

KIOTO, July 30.—Secretary of War Taft and his party spent Sunday morning quietly. Some of the members of the party attended church, while other visited the temples. When the party left at 10 o'clock this afternoon on a special for Kobe there was another remarkable demonstration.

At the station a great crowd awaited Secretary Taft and Miss Roosevelt, and began cheering when their carriage arrived, the ovation continuing until the train started. The band played the national anthem and "Auld Lang Syne" as the train pulled away from the station.

Welcomed With Fireworks Display.

ROME, July 30.—Secretary Taft and his party arrived here at 5 o'clock this afternoon. They were the recipients of an enthusiastic welcome from the Governor and the Mayor and city officials and assembled thousands. Amid a display of day fireworks the party proceeded to the water-front, where a short reception was held. Secretary Taft and Miss Roosevelt were given a number of presents.

The steamer Manchuria will sail at 10 o'clock tonight for Nagasaki.

Captain Robert H. Noble, Third United States Infantry, military aid to Governor General Wright, of the Philippines, officially met the Secretary of War and his party here.

## RAIN BURSTS RESERVOIRS

### SEVERAL LIVES ARE SACRIFICED IN CONNECTICUT.

One Family, Asleep, Is Swept a Mile in Their House and Then Rescued.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., July 30.—Loss of life and immense damage to property followed the bursting of reservoirs north of this city as a result of the unprecedented fall of rain, early today. The precipitation in the series of showers which struck across Connecticut last night and this morning reached a total of seven inches.

The dam at Ward's mill at Aston went out at 2 o'clock this morning, sending a great body of water down through the town of Trumbull. There was no warning to the people who lived on the banks of what is usually a small water-course.

The house occupied by John Leaco, his wife and several children, were picked up by the flood and carried a mile below. The Leaco family were asleep at the time and all were rescued after a perilous journey.

A house occupied by Michael Moran was

hurled against the Berkshire bridge and smashed to kindling wood and it is believed that Moran was drowned. Police and firemen went to the rescue and saved several lives.

In North Bridgeport the water swept against the Barnum-avenue bridge and wrecked it just when an ice wagon was crossing it. In the wagon were William Koweski and John Starkin. The wagon and horses were swept away and Koweski was drowned. Starkin was able to swim ashore.

At the close of the Summer, the Commission will meet, consider what information the individual members have gathered and what has been prepared for them, and will then, as speedily as possible, agree upon their findings and submit their views to the President. If their report is complete in all details, the President will make it the basis of recommendations of changes in the public land laws at the next session of Congress.

### Will Not Be Dissolved.

LONDON, July 31.—The Daily Telegraph makes the authoritative announcement that Parliament will not be dissolved this year unless the government is again defeated before prorogation.

### Inspect Japanese Navy-Yard.

NAGASAKI, July 30.—Representative Foss, chairman of the House committee on naval affairs, accompanied by Lieutenant Frank Marble, naval attaché of the American Legation at Tokyo, left today for Sasebo, where they will inspect the navy-yard as guests of the Japanese Navy Department. Mr. Foss will rejoin Secretary of War Taft at Nagasaki.

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## Today's Bargain Bulletin

### Linen Suits

Regular \$ 8.50, \$ 7.50 Suits at ..... \$ 4.95  
Regular \$15.00, \$12.50 Suits at ..... \$ 7.85  
Regular \$20.00, \$18.50 Suits at ..... \$ 9.75  
Regular \$25.00, \$22.50 Suits at ..... \$12.50

### Linen Coats

Reg. \$ 4.50 at \$2.50 Reg. \$12.50 at \$6.85  
Reg. \$ 6.50 at \$3.50 Reg. \$17.50 at \$8.95

### Covert Jackets

Regular \$25, \$22.50 at ..... \$12.50  
Regular \$15, \$12.00 at ..... \$ 6.50

### Linen Skirts

Regular \$2.25, \$1.75 at ..... \$1.39  
Regular \$3.00, \$2.75 at ..... \$1.65  
Regular \$6.00, \$5.00, \$4 at ..... \$2.45

### Child's Wash Suits

Regular \$2.25, \$2.00 at ..... 98c  
Regular \$3.50, \$3.00 at ..... \$1.95  
Regular \$6.00, \$5.00 at ..... \$2.45

### \$4.50 Wash Shirtwaist Suits \$2.75

### \$35 to \$25 Silk Shirtwaist Suits \$14.85

### \$7.50, \$6.50 Sicilian Plaited Walking Skirts \$4.48

### All Walking Skirts at Greatly Reduced Prices

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\$15, \$12.50, \$10 Traveling Bags and Suit Cases \$5.95  
\$20, \$18.50, \$17.50 Traveling Bags and Suit Cases \$9.45  
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\$2.50 to \$2 Hand Bags \$1.39 \$3.50 to \$2.75 Hand Bags \$1.95  
\$7.50 to \$5 Hand Bags \$2.95 \$12.50 to \$10 Hand Bags \$4.95

## Women's and Children's Bathing Suits

Time now for a dip in the "briny"—the proper costume will add much to its proper enjoyment.

Women's Suits of Brilliantine and Alpaca—colors and black—splendid values at \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and up to \$5.00. Misses' Suits of Alpaca and Brilliantine—navy blue; great values at \$1.25 and \$2.25.

Children's Suits with skirts—great values at \$1.25. A complete line of Women's and Children's Bathing Caps and Shoes at very lowest prices.

## CHANGES IN LAND LAWS

Commission Will Probably Report to President This Fall.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 30.—(Special.)—The Public Lands Commission, appointed nearly two years ago to investigate and report upon the operation and needed modifications in the public land laws, hopes to submit a final and comprehensive report to President Roosevelt prior to the assembling of Congress next Fall. The commission has about completed its investigations as regards the homesteaded, desert land and the timber land, but has not disposed of the mineral land laws.

To gather detailed information as to the manner in which these laws are operating, and to ascertain what changes may be necessary in the interest of good administration, a special committee, consisting of Alexander C. Shaw and G. W. Woodruff, of the Forest Service; Frank Bond, of the General Land Office; and A. E. Chandler, of the Reclamation Service, have been sent into the West to inspect and report on mineral land operations generally, both in and outside forest reserves.

Meanwhile, Chief Forester Pinchot is making a tour of the West, gathering information as he goes; Chief Engineer F. H. Newell, of the Reclamation Service, has long been in the West with his eyes open, and Land Commissioner Richards, the third member of the commission, and its chairman, has gone to Utah to conduct the opening of the Uintah Reservation.

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