SEES DANGER IN HUGHES' DEFEAT

Would Mean Taft's Defeat for President.

OPINION OF CLOSE OBSERVER

Church Questions Play Great Part in Campaign.

CATHOLICS FAVOR TAFT

Grateful for Fair Treatment in Philippines-Protestants Incline to Bryan, Animated by Suspicion of Taft's Orthodoxy.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- (Special.)-"If the Republican bosses, with President Roosevent at their head, defeat Governor Hughes for renomination, the chances are they will at the same time defeat Taft for the Presidency."

Republican, a man of wide observation and excellent judgment. I quote his statement without indorwing it, for the pur pose of introducing the highly interesting reasons which he brought forward in support of his prediction. In fact, he offered a new view of the Presidential campaign-one which has up to this time been largely ignored, but which, in my opinion, must from now on command share of the public attention.

Church Will Play Great Part.

In many parts of the country and from a great variety of men I have heard hints of the importance of church or religious factors in this year's campaign. some helping the Republicans and some helping the Democrats, but it remained for this New Yorker to point them out in

a most impressive way. Whether we like it or not, and most of us do not like it." said he, "church questions are going to play an important and perhaps a determining part in this year's National campaign. What we may broadly call the church issue has been precipitated most sharply here in New York by the opposition of President Rooseveit and nearly all the Republican

Hughes. Dividing Line Among Churches.

"First, it is no secret to any one that the Catholic people feel quite friendly to Taft, as they have a perfect right to feel, out of gratitude for the fair and impartial manner in which he treated them in performing his official duties in the Philippines. That is a perfectly proper and natural feeling.

"Second, it is undenlable that Catholie friendliness to Taft has produced a little reaction of lukewarmness among some of the members of Protestant churches. This, also, is quite natural, and not to be criticised, because we must taken human nature as we find it. Question Taft's Orthodoxy.

"Third, what we may call a small drift of Catholic sentiment toward Taft and of Protestant sentiment toward Bryan is helped along by certain other factors which rightly or wrongly are playing their part.

Conspicuous among these is a belief which has gained currency in some parts of the country that Judge Taft, as a Unitarian, is not altogether orthodox in his religious views. Some go so far as to believe that he is an agnostic. Whisperings to this effect, which no doubt do him great wrong, are already heard in many circles."

HUGHES OR DEFEAT TAFT

Schurman Says New York Bosse Have Alternative. NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- In reply to

newspaper comments and inquiries about his attitude toward the Repub-Ucan nomination for Governor, in connection with which his name has been mentioned, President Jacob G. Schur-man, of Cornell University, furnished a statement today, in which he says: "In my judgment there is only one man for the Republican party to nominate for Governor this year, and that

man is Charles E. Hughes," After reviewing Governor Hughes administration, Dr. Schurman alludes to the opposition to his renomination on the part of certain leaders in the

state and says: "If they are sagacious politicians, they will consider not their own injured feelings, but the character of the political forces by which the results of the elections are to be deter mined. So doing, they will perceive that to reject Governor Hughes in favor of any person whatever would be to repudiate the reform policies to which the Republican party, not only in New York State, but, thanks to President Roosevelt, throughout the Union, is today committed; and this great betrayal would provoke resentment and indignation that might easily cause Mr. Taft the loss of the electoral vote of New York, to say nothing of its effect on the doubtful states in which Republicans are vigorously do-

ing reform and opposing reaction."

COULTER'S BIGAMY COMES TO LIGHT

RIVAL WIDOWS EACH LAY CLAIM TO ESTATE.

Are Willing to Divide, but No. 1's Sons Insist on Contest, Which Will Result.

VACAVILLE, Cal., Aug. 17.-After bearing his name many years and supposing herself to be his lawfully wedded wife and now his widow, Mrs. John Coulter, of this place, has apparently become convinced that her husband, once a prominent and respected business man, was a bigamist. Since his death she has eceived from a woman in Canada what appears to be conclusive proof that she is the legal widow of Coulter and that she and her children are entitled to his estate, said to be worth many thousands. Mrs. Coulter No. 2 agreed, it is said, to a division of the estate, she taking othing, but requiring half of it for her children, Mrs. Coulter No. 1 is said to have at first agreed to this, but her son decided to demand the entire estate. The matter is about to be taken into court in connection with settlement of the es-

NET REVENUE DECREASES

Annual Report of Harriman Lines Shows Large Falling Off.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- A decrease of NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—A nectsuage of \$10,632,788 in revenue over operating ex-penses and taxes is shown by the annual statements of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific Companies, made public

The gross revenue of the Southern Pa-The gross revenue of the Soldier Par-cific Company for the year ending June 30 last was \$123,277.423, a decrease of \$2,804,259. The operating expenses were \$34,659,955, an increase of \$4,415.598, and the taxes \$3,956,169, an increase of \$1,053.-401. The revenue over operating expenses and taxes was \$34,663,577, a decrease of \$2,825.959.

The gross revenue of the Union Pacific system was \$76,039,224, a decrease of \$232,755; operating expenses \$41,694,293, an increase of \$1,510,093; and taxes \$2,444,755, an increase of \$36,750. The revenue over operating expenses and taxes was \$31,200,205, a decrease of \$2,109,499.

FALL INTO MORO AMBUSH

Details of Killing of Four Troopers by Moros Received.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—Further details of the killing of a corporal named Baker and three troopers by Moro bandits in the southern part of Luzon, was brought by the transport Buford from Manila, which docked this morning.

ot been captured.

PANIC ON BURNING VESSEL Captain Hains from shooting Mr. Annis."

Spanish and Portuguese Passengers Rush for Boats and Swamp One.

LISBON, Aug. 17 .- The Dutch steamer Amstelland arrived here today from Rio Janeiro, and further details of the fire and panic which occurred with she was off the South American coast are given by

He reports that, when 24 hours out He reports that, when M hours out from Rio, the fire broke out in the cargo of baled wool and that a dreadful panic ensued among the 200 Portuguese and Spanish steerage passengers. A general rush was made for the small boats. One containing 20 passengers was overturned while being lowered and six of its occu-pants were drowned. The fire was extinguished and the voyage was ree

MURDERED IN HOSPITAL

Helpless Paralytic Choked to Death by Fellow-Patient.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 17 .- J. L. Bartley, a helpless paralytic, was murdered at the State Hospital today by J. Waltso, the State Hospital today by J. Waltso, an inmate of an adjoining ward, without cause. Bartley lay in bed with a mosquito netting over him and, while the attendant stepped from the room for a moment, Waltso seized the netting and wrapping it around Bartley's neck, choked him to death in a brutal manner. Waltso made no denial of the crime nor did he attempt to flee, being apparently utterly indifferent.

BICYCLIST KILLED BY AUTO

Isaac Upham, Retired San Francisco Merchant, Is Victim.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Aug. 17.-Isaac Upham. a well-known retired wholesale merchant of San Francisco and for years president of the board of trustees of the Agnew State Hospital for the Insane, was struck by an automobile about 2 o'clock this stomobile about 2 o'clock this and died from his injuries an

Mr. Upham was riding north on a bicycle and S. B. Hunkins, president of the Garden City Bank, was going south in an automobile, when a collision occurred.

LANING'S PLEA IS DENIED

Ohio's Banker-Congressman to Be Tried for Larceny.

NORWALK, O., Aug. 17.—Congressman J. F. Laning was ordered tried on charges of embezzlement and larceny by Judge J. A. Byrie in Common Pleas Court today, who refused a plea of abatement. The indictments charging Laning and James G. Gibbs with obtaining money under false pretenses and the indictment brought under the free banking act of 1851. charging misapplication of \$56,884, were dismissed.

Talk Between Brothers Began Enmity.

JENKINS HAINS' GUILT EQUAL

His Letter Summoned Captain From Philippines.

THREATS SENT TO ANNIS

Wives of Murderer and Murdered Remain Friends and Mrs. Annis Has Threatening Letters Received by Her Husband.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 .- Of far more in terest than the formal arraignment in a Hains, Jr., who shot and killed William F, Annie, advertising agent of a magazine, on Saturday at the Bayside Yacht Club landing, while his brother, T. Jenkins Hains, held at bay a crowd of yachtsmen who sought to prevent the tragedy, was evidence which came into the hands of District Attorney Darrin, bearing upon the motive for the shooting.

Hains Gave Bail for Annis. was established that Captain Hains and Mr. Annis were on such friendly

terms that they went automobiling together as recently as May 29 last. Two women were in the party, and the police pelieve the women were Mrs. Hains and Mrs. Annis. A motor cycle policeman ar rested the party for speeding on Ocean Parkway. The case was postponed in ourt and is still on the calendar.

The party was in Annis' automobile and the police held Annis in \$100 ball. Annis only had \$20 and the police were about to lock him up when Captain Hains stepped forward and handed the prisoner four \$20 gold pieces, thus obtaining his release.

Enmity Aroused by Brother. Baker and three soldiers were sent from Overton to a small town nearby to purchase a supply of fuel. They fell into an ambush and were hacked to death with bolos. Not returning, a force of constabulary was sent out and, after a long search, found the bodies of the four men in the heart of a dense forest, stripped of everything valuable.

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Troops were sent in pursuit of the sail. "I have also been told by friends of Moros, but up to the time of the sail-ing of the Buford the outlaws had from the Philippines and question his wife regarding her alleged conduct with Mr. Annis, and it was T. Jenkins Hains who prevented anyone from stopping

Wrote Menacing Letters.

Another remarkable feature of the case is the friendship which exists between Mrs. Annis and Mrs. Claudie Hains, Captain Hains' wife. Mrs. Hains called upon Mrs. Annis yesterday afternoon, it vas learned today, and remained with her until nearly midnight. Mrs. Annis, (Concluded on Page 5.)

ON HIS WAY HOME

PORTLAND, OREGON, TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1908.

KNOCKED OFF TOP OF FAST PASSENGER TRAIN.

Son of Wealthy Palo Alto, Cal., People, Meets Death in Illinois.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17 .- (Special.) -- Andrew Anderson, 19 years of age, the son of wealthy parents in Palo Alto, Cal., was instantly killed Saturday night while beating his way home to California on top of the Los Angeles limited, on the Northwestern line, near West Chicago, The boy stood up just as the train

rushed through a viaduct and was struck a blow on the back of the head by the iron framework of a bridge. Word has been received from the boy's parents in Palo Alto, asking that the body be shipped to them. Until they received word of his death, they said they had no idea where he was, as he had wandered way several months ago.

It is reported that Anderson, who is said to have been rather wayward, would have fallen heir to \$200,000 on the death

FIRE EATS SHIRTWAISTS Blaze in San Francisco Threatens Neighboring Stores.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17 .- A fire of unknown origin in the establishment of Friedlander & Goldstein, known as the Police Court today of Captain Peter C. Paragon Shirtwalst House, caused damage tonight estimated at \$190,000. The building, covering the entire west half of the block facing on Van Ness avenue at the corner of Post street, was badly demolished in the upper story and the stock of ladies' wearing apparel. Emporium is just across the street, and was threatened at one time, as was the building in which the Book Lovers and the Tabard Inn Libraries are kept. Some of the stock in the Parislan millinery establishment of A. Defarre was damaged by smoke and water, but the damage here was slight.

VOIGHT SOON WILL MARRY Celebrated Captain von Koepenick Has Won Many Admirers.

BERLIN, Aug. 17 .- (Special.)-William Voight, the celebrated "Captain von Koepenick," who was released yesterday from the royal prison, where he had been confined for 26 months, could not eat his dinner for joy. He left the prison penniless, having only carfare in his pockets. He went to the home of his future bride in Rixdorf. He will soon marry and open some business,

Score of Buildings.

TEHAMA, Cal., Aug. 17.—A fire that started in the Tait's House at 8 o'clock last night was not subdued until 2 o'clock this morning. It caused the loss of one life and \$60,000 in property. Thomas Murray, an aged man, scarcely

able to move, accidentally started the fire while lighting his pipe, and was burned to death. Max Muller, who attempted to save Murray, was rescued with difficulty. The loss was on a score of small busi-

ness houses. The insurance carried was small, because of the inadequate equipment for fire-fighting. The fire was visi-

OUR GEORGE-"HERE I AM, MR. HARRIMAN, BUT WHEN I'M SENATOR YOU CAN

CALL ON ME."

R. M. Wood Found With Hole in Heart.

BLOOD ON SHARP STICK NEARBY

Tragedy on H. D. Jennings' Farm Where Wood Lived.

ACCIDENT, JURY'S VERDICT

Same Place Scene Three Years Ago of Sulcide of Young Man, Who, in Fit of Jealousy, Threatened Wood's Life.

HILLSBORO, Or., Aug. 17 .- (Special.)-With a hole in his heart, evidently made by some blunt instrument, Robert M. Wood was found dead early this morning near the barn of H. D. Jennings, at Gaston, 12 miles south of here. Beside the body was a sharpened stick, bloody at the point.

Deep mystery envelopes the case. Coroner's jury, after examining the premises and taking the testimony of H. D. Jennings and wife, at whose house Wood had been making his home for three years, returned a verdict of accidental

His Life Once Attempted.

Wood lived with the Jennings family. Three years ago an attempt upon his life was made by Allen George McDonald, who believed Mrs. Jennings, of whom he was enamored, was in love with Wood. McDonald killed himself when he found his attempt at murder was a failure and he himself was facing arrest.

Notwithstanding this former tragedy and its unfavorable implication as re gards Mrs. Jennings, her husband de clares his relations with Wood were friendly and that there was no jealous; between them. In this statement Jen rings is joined by his wife.

Testimony Secured at Inquest.

According to Jennings, he and Wood se about the same hour this morning. Wood went to the barn to do the milking, while Jennings, whose wife is an invalid, remained to prepare break-

After a few minutes Jennings went b Wood's body, so he says, prostrate in front of the barn door. Some blunt instrument had pierced Wood's heart, breaking one rib, and according to the evidence, penetrating nearly doctors' through the vital organ. The only thing on which blood was found was a piece of manger grating made of wood, about three feet in length. On the sharpened point of this was blood, extending a dis tance of an inch and a half.

No One Thought Him Ill. Jennings testified that he had known

Wood for years, and that, although they (Concluded on Page 6.)

PAY NO INSURANCE FOR RIOT LOSSES

COMPANIES RELY ON EXEMP-TION CLAUSE IN POLICIES,

If Courts Decide Against Them They May Recover Damages From Municipality,

CHICAGO, Aug. 17:-(Special.)-While it is not believed that much of the prop erty burned by the mobs at Springfield was insured, all of the insurance co panies so far heard from say they cannot be held liable for losses sustained through

such causes. Their policies contain a standard provison exempting them from liability when the loss is caused by riots, mobs or civil nsurrection. This exemption has almost niversally been upheld by the courts, a few exceptions being the recent decision in Kentucky growing out of the nightrider cases, where warehouses and stocks of tobacco were burned.

If for any reason the companies should be held responsible for the losses at Springfield, in spite of the riot clause con tained in their standard policies, could pay and take subrogation of the owners' right to collect from the municipality, should the law hold the latter lable in such cases. The situation is certain to result in a great number of damage suits being filed against the munici pality, whichever way the courts decide in the insurance cases.

FEAR RIOTS IN ISPAHAN

Citizens Resort to Arms to Rescue Political Prisoner.

TEHERAN, Aug. 17 .- A state of exitement exists in Ispahan, which heretofore had been quiet. The trouble has been precipitated by an attempt to exile Gadjiaga Nurulla, one of the leaders of the Constitutionalists. The residents of Ispahan closed the bazaars and sent out an armed posse, which overtook the Shah's men having Nurulla in charge. They released the prisoner and returned to the city with him in triumph

It is feared by the adherents of the Shah at Ispahan that there will be a repetition in that city of the events that have been recently terrorizing Tabriz,

YELLOW PERIL IS REAL Canadian Statesman Says America

MONTREAL, Aug. 17. - T. Hame Greenwood, the most prominent Canadian in the British Parliament, and a member of the executive committee of the Liberal party of Great Britain, who

Has Cause to Fear.

is visiting Canada, predicts a conflict between Japan and America. He says: "Japan is preparing to restrict the overflow of her people into countries where they are not wanted, but it does not require a prophet to foresee that the feeling between these swarthy a century ago. Another son is said to John Bulls of the Pacific and the white races of America may soon grow acute and may mean war. Just now Japan is having a struggle to make ends meet in national finance and has cut down her naval and military pro-

grammes by large amounts. grammes by large amounts.
"I have no doubt myself, however, that when she gets over the enormous losses of the late war with Russia there will be trouble. If she can stir up and force an alliance with half-awakened China the yellow peril will be a resulty." be a reality."

BRINGS BROWCH'S BODY

Transport Buford Also Has Details of Officer's Suicide.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17. - The body of Captain James W. Browch, commanding officer of the marines at Cavite, who committed suicide by shooting himself with his revolver, arrived here today on the transport Buford and will be shipped to Nebraska

Before killing himself the officer is reported to have called up a friend on telephone and calmly informed him that he was about to end his life, but did not assign any reason for his in-tended act. When his friend arrived tended act. When his friend arrived at the headquarters of the Marine Corps he found Captain Browch on the floor of his office with a bullet through his temple.

ENLARGE BREMERTON YARD Government May Ultimately Have Four Docks There.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 17.—Navy Department of-ficials have decided that Puget Sound Navy Yard shall be made the principal Naval station on the Pacific Coast and ment. It already has been decided to recommend at the next session of Congress that another drydock be authorised, making three in all and the ized, making three in all, and that when this is under way, a fourth will

It is the intention of the Department to equip this yard so it can handle all repair work on the larger vessels on the Pacific and Oriental stations. Detailed plans are now being worked out.

PLAN REVOLT IN ALGERIA Tribesmen Incited by Mulai Hafid

to Attack French.

PARIS Aug. 17 .- Reports from Algeria are to the effect that a new uprising is under way on the Moroccan frontier, where an Arab army of 25,000 men is mobilized, preparing to surprise the French posts located at Bechar and Bomac. The French are organizing a fly-

ing column of 4000 horsemen. The advance guard of the enemy is maneuver Government advices declare the upris-ing to be the result of the agitation of Mulai Hadd's agents among the tribes-

Jos. Meyers Arrested on Insanity Charge.

WEALTHY SALEM MERCHANT

Intercepted by Sheriff at Marriage License Counter.

SPENDS NIGHT IN JAIL

Lawyers Expect to Effect Release This Morning-Bride-to-Be Is Mrs. Zenaide Du Retto, Portland Widow,

Angrily denouncing his sons as the cause of his predicament, aged and trate Joseph Meyers, a prominent and wealthy merchant of Salem, 70 years of age, spent last night in the County Jall, and is still onfined there, though his release prob-

ably will be effected this morning. Awaiting his release, Mrs. Zenalde Du Rette, of 213 Hancock street, Portland, his bride-to-be, is equally denunciative of the means that were used to thwart their marriage. The aged merchant and Mrs. Du Rette were to have been mar-ried at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, pastor of the White Temple, waited vainly for several hours to perform the ceremony.

The white-haired lover appeared at the County Clerk's office at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon to obtain a license. He was, instead, taken in custody by Sheriff Stevens and lodged in the parlor of the County Jail on a warrant charging him with insanity. He spent the afternoon there, but at 7 o'clock ate dinner with his prospective bride at the Portland

The dinner was to have been a wedding feast, for when the order was given it was expected that the ceremony would have been performed. However, crust fate, sided by the old man's sons, interfered, and there was only one guest besides the prospective bride and groom. The solitary guest was Deputy Sheriff Harry Bulger, in whose custody wealthy merchant was permitted to leave the tail to dine with his flancee.

The warrant for his arrest was sworn to by M. L. Meyers, one of the old man's six sons, who is a member of the big Salem dry goods house which the aged have been equally interested in prevent-(Concluded on Page 7.)

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