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## STORM OF FLAMES SWEEPS MICHIGAN; SCORES CREMATED

Terrific Forest Fire Devastates Towns of State; Hundreds Crowd Into Lake—Town Hall Human Torch.

## WOMEN AND BABIES FALL IN PATH OF FIRE

Racing for Safety, Many Drop Exhausted and Are Soon Burned to Death.

(Quoted Press Leased Wire.)  
East Tawas, Mich., July 12.—Their homes swept by a terrific forest fire which has already destroyed two cities and is menacing others, hundreds of Michigan people may be dead—scores surely are—in the worst timber conflagration in the history of the state.  
Two towns—Oscoda and Au Sable, in northeastern Michigan—have been swept clean. Not a building remains in Oscoda.

**Driven Into Lake.**  
Hundreds of persons were driven by the flames into Lake Huron, passing as they fled dead bodies of their friends and neighbors lying in the streets of the town, in the churches and in a hall packed to the doors which was soon enveloped in flames. How many have perished today is unknown and possibly will never be known, as the flames were so fierce that every vestige of many of the victims will be destroyed.  
The fire started last night in the dense forest near Oscoda and fanned by a gale, swept unchecked through that city and jumped the Au Sable river into the town of Au Sable.

**Steamer Offers Refuge.**  
Driven from their homes by the onrush of the flames, the people of Oscoda fled in panic through the streets without a moment to save their bodies or their fellow citizens who, struck down  
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## RAINIER BUTCHERY PROVES PARALLEL TO THAT OF HILLS

Archie Coble, Exemplary Man of 25, and Nettie Coble, His Bride, Aged 17, Slain With Ax, in Bed.

## MAN'S SKULL SPLIT FIRST, THEN WIFE'S; AX IS LEFT

Weapon From Coble's Woodpile Used; Murderer Vanishes.

(Special to The Journal.)  
Olympia, Wash., July 12.—John Mulqueen, held here following the murder of Archie Coble and his wife at Rainier, will be released. Deputy Sheriff McCorkle today wired Sheriff Gaston at Rainier that the prisoner had proved a complete alibi. He was at the New England hotel at Olympia. He showed, when the killing occurred.

Tacoma, Wash., July 12.—Did the same man who four weeks ago last Saturday, with an ax, crushed the skulls of William H. Hill, his wife and her two children, as they lay in their beds in their home near Milwaukee, Or., murderer in exactly the same manner Archie Coble, aged 25, and his 17-year-old bride, Nettie, at their home in Rainier, Wash., Monday night?

The police and sheriff's offices in three counties are today working on the possibility of the theory. The murderer of Monday night left absolutely no clues behind him, nothing save the grim work of his blood stained double bladed ax, which was found underneath the Cobles' bed. Believing the theory tenable, Sheriff Robert Stevens of Multnomah county this morning telephoned to Sheriff Robert Longmire of Pierce county at Tacoma to get the details of the Rainier tragedy. The Hill crime was committed in the same manner as that of Rainier. The murderer evidently slew the man first, then beat in the skull of the woman with the ax and fled. The motive was apparently the same.  
The arrest today at Olympia of John Mulqueen, about 50 years of age, who has been in the asylum for the insane, may possibly have some bearing on the Rainier murder also. Mulqueen was seen in Rainier at 9 o'clock on Monday evening, the night of the tragedy and at 7:25 yesterday morning was in Olympia, about 18 miles away.  
**No Suspected Man Seen.**  
W. A. Larkin, Northern Pacific railroad agent at Rainier, says he saw no suspected men either enter or leave Rainier from Sunday until yesterday, although there were several strange faces among the ticket buyers.  
Sheriff Gaston of Olympia, in charge of the search for the Rainier criminal, today formed a posse to take up the man-hunt. His efforts last night to ob-

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## PORTLAND ELKS RIGHT IN FRONT AT CONVENTION

They'll Make the Biggest Showing in Parade Tomorrow, Just as They've Done in Everything.

(Special to The Journal.)  
Atlantic City, N. J., July 12.—In the parade tomorrow Portland will be as far to the front as it has been in everything in this reunion of E. P. O. Elks.  
J. H. Deitz has ordered the two biggest rubberneck cars in Atlantic City for the day, and is now having them decorated with Oregon roses and other flowers typical of home. It costs \$600 for this showing, but Deitz says he does not care what it costs, that he wants to show the Elks the kind of a town Portland is, so that they will all come out there in 1913. On the two floats will be 54 persons, men on one and women on the other.  
**Every Girl Pretty.**  
Every girl who will ride in the big automobile is pretty.  
From the time Portland headquarters in the Islesworth were opened a crowd has been there always, day and night. The souvenirs passed out by thousands are everywhere in evidence on the board walks, in the streets, in the dining benches. Stop any man in Atlantic City in the crowd of 300,000 and ask him where the Portland headquarters are and he says instantly, "Why, over at the Islesworth."  
Nobody has called who has failed to feel the warmth of Oregon hospitality. Scores of telegrams from Oregon bring congratulations for Elks who came here to land the grand lodge of 1912.  
**Lodges Send Congratulations.**  
One from the Astoria lodge reads: "Astoria elubroom hilarious tonight once showing what other large cities of the United States have done in the matter of installing meters. The object is to gather information in connection with the proposed plan of putting in a meter system in Portland."  
The mayor declared that he does not favor the acquisition of any more private water plants. Under the present administration the board completed negotiations for the purchase of the Woodmere and Woodstock plants.  
H. D. Cummings, representing various improvement clubs of the Mount Scott district, told the board he thought the E. T. Morris water plant could be bought for \$10,000 and he said he thought this would be a fair price. Chief Engineer D. D. Clarke of the water de-

## BUY LOCATION FOR NEW BOX FACTORY

Multnomah Trunk & Bag Co. Closes Deal for Land on the Peninsula.

The Multnomah Trunk & Bag company closed a deal today with the Peninsula Factory Sites company for the purchase of eight acres on the peninsula near the Monarch Lumber company's mill, as a site for a new box factory, which is to be erected at once. The main building of the new plant is to be 200 by 72 feet, one story.  
D. C. Peltou and S. E. Wrenn are the controlling stockholders in the Multnomah Trunk & Bag company. Until recently this company operated a box factory at Seaside, but owing to the failure of the lumber company at Seaside, from which the box factory secured its lumber, the factory was forced to shut down. It has been dismantled and a portion of the machinery will be installed in the new peninsula plant.  
S. E. Wrenn, who negotiated the deal for the eight acre tract on the peninsula, paid \$12,000 for the holding.

## PORTLAND TO FOLLOW PLAN OF OTHER CITIES IN METER SYSTEM

Mayor Rushlight instructed Superintendent Frank T. Dodge of the water department yesterday afternoon to prepare water meter plants. Under the present administration the board completed negotiations for the purchase of the Woodmere and Woodstock plants.  
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partment once investigated this plant, and reported that it was not worth more than \$3000 to the city. At that time the owner asked \$25,000 for it.  
Frank W. Winn, the newly appointed member of the water board, was sworn in yesterday, and attended the meeting. J. C. Ainsworth and W. B. Mackay, who were reappointed by Mayor Rushlight, also took the oath of office. Theodore B. Wilcox, the fourth member of the board, was not present. It is probable that Superintendent Dodge will remain during the present administration, as his resignation was not accepted by the board yesterday.  
The water board will consider in the near future a number of applications for Bull Run water from residents of suburbs that have not been annexed yet. A fixed policy as to these requests will be adopted.

## WE'VE GOT IT



## EMMA EAMES WEDS DE GOGORZA; POPE GIVES HIS CONSENT

Through Special Dispensation Diva, Though a Protestant, Is Permitted to Marry in Roman Catholic Church.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Paris, July 12.—Emilio de Gogorza and Mme. Emma Eames were married today in the mayor's office in the Rue d'Anjou, special dispensation having been secured. Through a dispensation of Pope Plus, Mme. Eames, although a Protestant, may be married in a Roman Catholic church and through the dispensation of the attorney general of France the couple were relieved from the law requiring the banns to be posted at the mayor's office 10 days before the ceremony.  
The civil ceremony today will be followed by a religious ceremony, the latter taking place tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Church of St. Pierre de Chaillet.  
A concert tour will be taken up following a month's honeymoon in Germany.  
Mme. Eames is the divorced wife of Julian Story and De Gogorza was divorced a year ago. It is reported that Mme. Eames paid Mrs. De Gogorza \$100,000.

## WOMAN'S BROTHER IS HELD ON MURDER CHARGE

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Oroville, Cal., July 12.—Arthur Lewis, brother of Mrs. Emma L. Rumball, was today held to answer a charge of murder in connection with the killing of Helen Rumball, 18, in Gridley. The trial of Lewis and Mrs. Rumball was scheduled to be held in September.

## HOKE SMITH ELECTED UNITED STATES SENATOR

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Atlanta, Ga., July 12.—Hoke Smith, former governor of Georgia, and one time member of President Cleveland's cabinet, was today elected United States senator here on the first joint ballot of the Georgia assembly.

## "SMUGGLING" JURY MAY INDICT MILLIONAIRES

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, July 12.—The federal grand jury which is investigating the gigantic smuggling case which involves Mrs. Helen D. Jenkins as the central figure announced today that it would conclude its labors on Friday. It is believed that both the millionaires charged with complicity in the smuggling case will be indicted and detained, it was said today to be shadowing the men.

## EVERYBODY WILL JOIN WITH ELKS IN JOLLIFICATION

Whoop'er-Up Parade to Start at 7:30 Tonight and Red Fire Will Be Only One of Celebration Features.

- Formation of parade.
- Platoon of police.
- Police band.
- Mayor Rushlight and city council.
- Members of Elks lodge 142 and visiting Elks, Esquire Roland commanding.
- Members of other fraternal orders.
- York's military band.
- Automobile section.
- E. J. Arnold's band.
- Venue section.
- Equestrians and rough riders.

Whoop'er up for Portland's victory in winning the meeting place for the 1912 annual reunion of Elks.  
That is the feeling that possesses every member of the Portland lodge which will have the honor of entertaining the antlered herd next year. This feeling is infectious and has spread to nearly every public interest in the hill lands. Easing the So tonight the Elks will let off some  
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## JACKSON TIMBER BRINGS MILLION

Trail Lumber Company Sells to Grand Rapids, Mich., Men, 50,000 Acres.

Medford, Or., July 12.—The Grand Rapids Lumber company of Grand Rapids, Mich., has purchased the holdings of the Trail Lumber company in this county, paying, it is said, about \$1,000,000 for the tract, which consists of 50,000 acres of timber on Trail and Elk creeks. Roy Harrison, representing the company, is now in Medford, and has just closed the deal.  
The purchasing company declines to make an announcement at this time regarding development of the tract. A number of small mills owned by the old company will continue in operation, but transportation must be solved before the tracts are opened on an extensive scale.  
The tracts changing hands are owned by the Trail Lumber company of this city, L. E. Wakeman and George L. Davis, both officials of the Farmers & Fruitgrowers bank of this city.

## WALLA WALLA HAS 5,000,000 BUSHELS IN WHEAT HARVEST

Ideal Weather Conditions and Increased Acreage Combine to Make New Record for Rich Washington Valley.

By Hyman H. Cohen.  
Walla Walla, Wash., July 12.—Walla Walla county will this season harvest close to 5,000,000 bushels of wheat. The production will probably be either a fraction above or below this round figure. All depends upon weather conditions until the harvest is concluded.  
Last season the county produced 4,900,000 bushels of wheat, therefore the likelihood is that the county will show an increase of practically 15 per cent over a year ago. Some of this increase is due to the greater acreage sown, but most of it is the result of weather conditions the like of which is unusual even in the Walla Walla valley.  
There are many fields in this section that will harvest 40 bushels per acre, although a few will range down to 35 and 30 bushels, while in other instances the output will reach very close to the 50 bushel mark.  
**Foothills Yield Well.**  
As usual for the best results are shown in the foothill country. Here the average will be 40 bushels or better. Some are forecasting an average of 45 bushels in the hill lands. Easing the percentage on the average, as is indicated.

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## SHRINERS ELECT TO GO TO LOS ANGELES

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Rochester, N. Y., July 12.—Following the selection of Los Angeles as the city for its next year's convention the Knights of the Mystic Shrine today elected John F. Treat of Fargo, N. D., imperial potentate of that order for the ensuing term. Treat received the unanimous vote of the convention. E. Lewis Garretson of Tacoma was elected imperial captain of the guards.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Bridgeport, Conn., July 12.—Completion of the death roll in the wreck of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Federal express here today shows a total of 12 fatalities. All of the injured are expected to recover. An inquest into the cause of the disaster will be held Friday.

## 8000 NAMES MAY HAVE BEEN FORGED BY CIRCULATORS

Harry Coler, Arrested, Tells of Wholesale Fraud Perpetrated by Men Seeking Signers for Referendum.

## HIGHER-UPS MAY BE DRAGGED INTO FRAY

Fraudulent Work Not All Done in Portland—Other Arrests Expected.

Following an investigation by men of the Burns detective agency into forgeries alleged to have been committed in the referendum petitions against the University of Oregon appropriation, Harry Coler was arrested last night, another warrant is out, and Coler is said to have made a statement to the officers that will lead to 10 or 12 arrests and exposure of wholesale frauds involving men in higher station than the lowly circulators.  
Coler is one of the circulators of the referendum against house bill 210, passed by the last legislature providing for an additional building and equipment for the state university. This is one of the series of three bills which were blocked by referendum petitions circulated under the same auspices, the others being another appropriation for the university and the third an appropriation for a dormitory at the Monmouth Normal school. All three of these are declared by former Justice W. T. Slater, attorney for the university, to be reeking with fraud.  
The arrest of Coler was made by Deputy Constable Nicholson and George E. Constable, the latter being assistant manager for the Burns detective agency in Portland. After his arrest he gave the officers a complete story of the operations of the referendum circulators, confessing that he was one of several who copied names by the score, exchanging petitions with each other and taking turns in writing in the names. In this way, he said, whole sheets were filled with bogus names.  
**Bad Meeting Place.**  
The work of forgery was done, principally, he said, in two poolrooms on Washington street, which were used as a common meeting place. He and other circulators met almost daily for the purpose of exchanging petitions and writing in bunches of names.  
The arrest of Coler was the case say they expect to show 7000 or 8000 fraudulent names on the university appropriation, H. B. 210, to which attention has principally been given. There were about 12,700 names on this petition when it was filed with the secretary of state by W. S. Parkison. If this number of names is had the referendum is worthless, over 6000 names being required.  
**Bad Names From Other Cities.**  
The investigation indicates that most of the fraudulent work was done in Portland, but there are also said to be several batches of bad names filed from Astoria and Salem. Nearly a dozen Portland circulators are involved in the statements made by Coler, who will be used as a witness for the state.

With the start that has been made a full airing of the university referendum is made certain in the courts, and this  
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## CONTROLLER QUIZ HOLDS SENSATIONS

Startling Phases Will Be Developed in Inquiry in Few Days, Is Promise.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)  
Washington, July 12.—The Controller Bay investigation will develop startling phases in a few days. Subpoenas issued today but not published yet will bring important witnesses before the Graham committee and the investigation involves features of the entire Alaskan affair never before hinted at.  
It can be said that evidence is at hand showing that important officials were to receive money compensation if the syndicate's plans went through.  
Washington, July 12.—That the Morgan-Guggenheim grab of Alaskan coal industries through their acquisition of lands on the shore of Controller Bay is not yet consummated was positively asserted here today by Secretary of the Interior Fisher.  
Discussing the mysterious "Diek to Diek" letter, supposed to be from Richard S. Ryan, the Guggenheim man, to former Secretary of the Interior R. A. Ballinger, Fisher declared he was eager to cooperate in hunting for the document. So far, however, he said, search of the files of the department had revealed no letter from Ryan to Ballinger in which Charles P. Taff's name was mentioned.  
Fisher is not expected to be a witness at the hearing by the committee on expenditures in the department of the interior, which is investigating the Controller Bay entries. Of them he said today:  
"I certainly am most interested in the case and would appreciate any information the committee might give as to whether conditions at Controller Bay would jeopardize the public interest. So far I am unable to see that the public interest will be jeopardized, no matter what procedure is decided upon. I have found that Ryan's Controller Bay entries have been submitted to the department, but that no action has been taken. These claims are still pending and are still absolutely in the control of the interior department."

## WATERHOUSE SAYS PORTLAND SERVICE IS TO BE ENLARGED

Boat From Orient Is to Come to This Port Every 20 Days; Recent P. & A. Purchase Is Explained.

## IBSEN AND STRATHLYON GO ON AUSTRALIA RUN

Other Chartered P. & A. Boats, Rygja and Hercules, Will Be Used a Year.

(Special to The Journal.)  
Seattle, Wash., July 12.—Increased service with better vessels will be the result of the purchase of the Portland-Asiatic Steamship company by Frank Waterhouse & Co., Inc., according to a statement made today by Frank Waterhouse, president, who, with Vice President A. M. Gillespie, has just returned from San Francisco, where final arrangements were made for the transfer of the Portland-Asiatic holdings by direct purchase.  
Mr. Waterhouse is engaged in working out a new schedule which he believes will be satisfactory to both Puget sound and Portland. The intention of the Waterhouse officials is to run a line both to Puget sound and the Columbia river from the orient, on practically the same lines as the Waterhouse vessels have been operating for more than a year. Heretofore, the Waterhouse steamers have been furnishing a sailing from Portland and Puget sound every 28 days, but it is planned to dispatch a vessel every 20 days.  
Additional steamers will be placed on this route and under the new schedule each will have about eight days on Puget sound in which to complete cargo. This will enable the fleet to maintain a schedule, which it has been impossible to do heretofore. As has been done since the Waterhouse company invaded  
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## 3 WILL REPRESENT UNITED STATES IN BIG BALLOON RACE

Lahn and Barry, Winners of This Week's Contest, and Hawley, Last Year's Victor, Will Be Entrants.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Kansas City, Mo., July 12.—John Barry, Lieutenant F. Lahn and Alvin R. Hawley will represent America in the international balloon race to be sailed from here in September. Lahn and Barry were winners in the national race that sailed from here Monday, and Hawley was winner last year in the international race sailed from St. Louis.  
Lahn, in the balloon "St. Louis IV," landed at La Paz, Ind., 407 miles from Kansas City, and Barry came to earth at a "Mission Club."  
Placed second in the balloon "Miss Sophia," landed at Franklin Park, Ill., 355 miles; Wade, in the Buckeye, at New Holland, Ill., 300 miles, and Jacobs, in the Topeka II, at Le Harpe, Ill., 210 miles.  
The "New York," piloted by Clifford B. Harmon, and the "Kansas City," H. E. Hunneywell, made only short flights before being forced down by thunderstorms in Iowa.

## FRENCH PAPERS DISCUSS PAY OF CONGRESSMEN

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Paris, July 12.—"La Depeche," of Toulouse, in urging the cause of higher pay for French lawmakers, who receive \$3000 a year and much criticism for paying themselves as well declares that congressmen in the United States receive \$7000 a year and "gratification of their least caprice"—towels, night shirts, toilet articles, perfume, and "probably the rest, as La Fontaine says." This last, of course, refers to women. Gustave Tery of "Le Journal," says:  
"Well, well! Our democracy is in retard; she has not yet thought of the rest! What oversight! Can it be that a real republic can fall to install a boulder back of her capital building and appoint herself an Aspasie?"

### The Sunday Journal

EFFICIENCY AND SHORTER HOURS  
Efficiency Expert Taylor foresees bigger national output in less time. See Magazine Section.

OLIVE INDUSTRY IN ITALY  
George Burton writes of Italy's olive groves and compares conditions there with those on Pacific coast.