

FATAL TORRID WAVE GRIPS ENTIRE EAST

DEATH TOLL EASTERN CITIES VERY HEAVY

Thirty-five Have Perished From Heat in Chicago and Entire Country From Missouri to Atlantic Suffering—No Help of Relief Held Out.

Business Houses Close in Many Places—Hundreds of Prostrations Reported.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 9.—While New York, the east and the middle west sweated today in the most severe heat wave of the season, the whole Pacific Coast region rejoiced in pleasant weather. No where was there oppressively high temperatures.

Following were the thermometer marks in the different coast cities up to noon:

- San Francisco, 60 degrees.
- Portland, 66 degrees.
- Bellingham, 62 degrees.
- Seattle, 60 degrees.
- Medford, 71 degrees.

NEW YORK, July 9.—With the mercury hovering around the highest figures of the year and absolutely no hope of relief held out by the weather forecaster, New York nerved itself today for a continuation of the heated spell. At ten o'clock the official temperature taken on top of a downtown sky-scraper where the ocean breezes were most felt, was 85. The forecaster was certain that yesterday's high level of 93 would be far exceeded before the totals for the day had been filed away. And there was not a trace of rain anywhere on the map.

Down in the narrow canyon-like streets of the business section and in the tortuous labyrinths of the poorer sections the heat was stifling. Men, women and children shuffled along with all ambition vanished, trying as best they could to shade themselves from the broiling sun. The asphalt pavement reflected back a steaming heat, which made life almost unendurable, and over in the crowded tenement districts the death rate had doubled and was continuing to rise.

Children Suffer Most

The little children and the very old suffered most. The depots of the charitable organizations, which issued ice to those who applied were jammed to suffocation. To some, the size of the piece of frozen comfort was reduced, but where there was sickness in the family or little

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FINAL ATTEMPT FOR HARMONY RANKS OF G. O. P.

Reported That Petitions Are to Be Circulated Throughout the Nation Asking Taft and Roosevelt to Retire in Order to Save Officeholders.

Taft's Friends See Roosevelt Plot but Friends of T. R. Say It Is Last Attempt to Harmonize Party.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Strenuous efforts of Republican leaders today failed to disclose the source of a report that petitions demanding President Taft's withdrawal as a candidate are to be circulated in a nation-wide campaign. Copies of the "petition" were circulated by mail and without letterhead. The plan set forth was as follows:

Circulate petitions in every state asking Taft and Roosevelt to withdraw. Then ask the national committee to name a new compromise "harmony" candidate as the Republican standard bearer, to present a united front to the Democrats—and save the thousands of Republican officeholders their jobs.

But no one of high or low degree today stood sponsor for the plan. Officeholders were reported behind the scheme, which is said to contemplate circulation of the withdrawal petitions next week, and later a Republican "referendum" mail vote by Republicans all over the country, on the question of their choice of candidate.

Friends of President Taft profess to see another Roosevelt plot behind the reported scheme. They believe the petitions would be signed principally by pro-Roosevelt Republicans as a hard "slam" at the president upon opening his campaign and as a boost for the new party.

Roosevelt partisans, on the other hand, and many leaders in states where senators, representatives and other officeholders are to be elected this fall, profess to believe the withdrawal is a last desperate device to harmonize the G. O. P.

THIEVES STEAL \$5000 GEMS FROM HOME OF HOPKINS

MENLO PARK, Cal., July 9.—Pinkerton detectives are today on the trail of thieves who stole \$5000 worth of gems from the home of Edward W. Hopkins, millionaire clubman and president of the Union Ice company, in the Menlo Park colony.

The theft was committed while Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins were golfing. The jewels were taken almost before the eyes of several servants, none of whom, however, is suspected of complicity.

Two Fatal Accidents in Midair That Occurred Last Week



MELVIN VANIMAN AND THE CREW OF THE AKRON.



WILSON DESERTS SEA GIRT FOR STATE BUSINESS

SEA GIRT, N. J., July 9.—The "summer capital" that has been the bright spot on the democratic map since the Baltimore convention, subsided today to a mere Jersey coast town when Governor Woodrow Wilson, at 9:30 o'clock, left in his automobile for Trenton, to transact state business. Since coming to the "little white house" for the summer, the governor has gone each Tuesday to Trenton and has returned at night to Sea Girt.

On this trip he intended to be gone until tomorrow night or possibly Thursday. This afternoon he has an appointment to meet Samuel Gompers and other members of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, who asked for a conference to learn Governor Wilson's ideas on labor. On an evening train Governor Wilson plans to go to Atlantic City, where tomorrow he is scheduled to lay a corner-stone and address the national convention of building and loan associations.

While in Trenton, Governor Wilson probably will consult with other democratic leaders upon the problem of the national chairmanship, following his conference of last night with Senator Gore of Oklahoma, and Chairman Norman E. Mack of Buffalo. After the departure of Gore, who predicted a sweeping democratic victory, it was said today that the party might return to the old custom of having two chairmen, one at the head of the national committee and the other chairman of the campaign committee.

PREPOSTEROUS TO THINK OF TEDDY'S QUITTING RACE

NEW YORK, July 9.—Whether it was the heat or the published suggestion that he might retire as a candidate for the presidency, Colonel Roosevelt was decidedly peevisish today. He came to town to work at his regular job of contributing editor of the Outlook, where he expects to have an article "Thou Shalt Not Steal" in this week's issue. When his attention was called to the published story that he and President Taft are to be asked by petitions not being circulated to retire from politics for the present campaign he became angry and snapped out:

"You must not ask me about so preposterous and self-evident affair. As a matter of fact I have nothing to say about that or anything else."

The colonel then retired to his sanctum and slammed the door behind him. During the day he held a conference with W. N. Mitchell, an Atlanta, Ga., railroad man.

LORIMER CASE NEARS A VOTE

WASHINGTON, July 9.—It appeared for a moment this afternoon in the senate that an immediate vote would be taken on the retention or expulsion of Senator Lorimer of Illinois.

When, after Senator Dillingham concluded his speech defending the Illinois member, no one arose to continue the debate, the presiding officer was nonplussed. Finally Senator Lorimer declared that he desired to speak but wanted to conclude the entire debate. He said that unless other senators desired to speak he would begin at once. No one responded.

A recess of thirty minutes was then taken to demand a course of procedure.

The property of platinum sponge to absorb gas, which rapidly increases the temperature of the metal, is employed in connection with a thermostat to dim the light in an electric lamp for miners to warn them of danger.

HILLES CHOSEN GENERAL FOR TAFT'S BATTLE

Secretary of President Selected to Manage Republican Campaign—Is Unanimously Chosen by Sub-Committee—Reynolds Is Secretary.

Three Headquarters to Be Maintained—At New York, Chicago and Portland—New Manager Young Man.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Charles Dewey Hilles, secretary to the president will manage the Taft re-election campaign. He was unanimously chosen national chairman by the sub-committee of the national republican committee at its meeting here today.

Hilles was President Taft's own choice but when the executive met the sub-committee early today he told them he would leave the selection entirely to them and refused even to suggest a manager. The committee

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BOURNE GETS \$100,000 FOR CRATER LAKE

Oregon's Progressive Senator Gets Large Appropriation for National Park Highways Inserted in Civil Sundry Bill—Confident Will Pass.

Everyone Acquainted With Congressmen Should Wire at Once to Urge Passage of Measure by House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—Medford Mail Tribune, Medford, Ore.: The sub-committee on appropriations at my request have inserted in the civil sundry bill an appropriation for \$100,000 for Crater Lake national park. I am confident that the full committee and the senate will concur in the action of the sub-committee.

JONATHAN BOURNE, Jr.

Senator Bourne introduced the bill calling for \$100,000 a year for seven years for the improvement of Crater Lake park last winter and secured its passage by the senate. The bill was favorably reported by the house committee, but was stricken out by the house, which struck out all park appropriations in excess of those already made.

Congressman Hawley offered an amendment calling for \$150,000 for the park, but it also met defeat. The sundry civil bill was vetoed by President Taft, and sent back to be redrawn and passed.

After its passage by the senate, the house must also act upon it, and the danger to the appropriation lies there. Every person acquainted with congressmen or senators should wire at once to them to assist in the bill's passage.

TWENTY HEROES GO TO DEATH

CONISBORO, Yorkshire, England, July 9.—Twenty heroes, including some of the most experienced miners in all England, went to almost certain death today in a desperate effort to rescue 30 miners, penned in the lower workings of the Cadeby mine by explosion of gas. Despite the fact that all of the thirty victims of an early morning explosion were believed to be dead the rescuers insisted on trying to penetrate to the bottom of the gas-filled workings in the hope that some might still be alive.

Their effort was futile, and four additional explosions completely shattered the shaft and shaft house, put the hoisting and ventilating apparatus out of commission and imprisoned the entire rescue party in the deep shaft. Late this evening it was feared that all were dead.

HANFORD WARNS JUDGE WHO TAKES HIS PLACE

TACOMA, Wash., July 9.—Judge C. H. Hanford swore to Judge E. E. Cushman as federal judge here yesterday, admonishing him: "I hope you will have no difficulties, but no matter how truthfully and impartially you act, you will always be subject to criticism of maligars and the vituperation of those who you are called upon to decide against."

ACTIVE SESSION DEVELOPS THOUGH OPENING WAS DULL

NEW YORK, July 9.—From an irregular and heavy opening today's market developed into an active session in which trading was rather brisk.

The close was firm. Bonds were steady.

Crown of Thorns for Clark's Houn' Dawg



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