

# OFFICER'S DEATH PROBED BY BOARD

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ado, where Lieut. Green was last seen alive. The next day, Sunday, his body, minus his hat and coat, was found grounded upon the beach. A wrist watch last stopped at 3:40 a. m., and he was reported to have left the hotel shortly after 1 a. m.

The coat and hat were found late in the afternoon on the beach 70 yards away from where the body was found. According to naval officers here, Lieut. Green was supposed to have had more than \$200 in the coat. No money was found when the coat was picked up, however, a few dollars were discovered in the officer's trousers pockets.

Capt. J. R. Gay, captain of the U. S. S. Melville, flagship of the destroyer squadron, is president of the court of inquiry. Capt. Gay stated tonight that he did not know how Green met his death, but that it would have been impossible for the tide to have carried the body where it was found.

A slight discoloration over one eye is believed by officials to bear evidence of foul play. The court will meet again tomorrow. No arrests have been made, but it is expected that a web of circumstance will be woven around some member of the naval colony here.

# POLITICAL SOUTH IS UNDERGOING CHANGE

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power within the democratic party as between the western and eastern factions of the north. Because of its poverty after the civil war, it welcomed the cheap money and other economic devices which Bryan urged. This made it possible for Bryan to dominate the party. He tied the democratic south and west together. Toward the end of his career the south was Bryan's chief stronghold. McAdoo has tried to use the same combination.

Meantime an economic revolution has developed in the south. Development of natural resources everywhere, the industrial development of such centers as Birmingham and Atlanta, the migration to Florida and the promise of far greater industrialization when water power projects like that at Muscle Shoals become operative—these economic forces have united to bring the south more prosperously than it has seen in three quarters of a century, also a great number of northern business men and capitalists.

The inevitable sequel is development. With riches, the south is inclining toward conservatism. It is

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This movement cannot succeed without a hard struggle. Next year is the great Jeffersonian centennial and the progressive democrats intend to capitalize fully the memory of the first great American radical.

The idea of a great democratic tribute to Jefferson next year has been proposed by Representative Elmer Thomas of Oklahoma in a prospectus sent to all democratic members of congress, democratic governors and party officers throughout the country.

"During the past quarter of a century political expediency has been substituted for Jeffersonian democracy," Thomas says. "Political expediency has been let to group or class democrats. Today there is no visible national democratic party either as a living code of principles or as an organized aggregation of individuals."

"A southern and eastern alliance is the only possible hope of the democracy."

## PASSENGERS TELL TALE OF TERROR

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nals were sent out. The coast guard cutters Seneca and Kickapoo and the ship of the pilot for whom I asked, came near us before we got into the breakwater. The fire seemed under control and I said that if the pilot boat and the Kickapoo would stand by, we could manage.

"Then the fire broke out again." Officers of the Lonape said the fire probably started in the ship's refrigerating apparatus. It was discovered amidships.

Miss Mildred Hadenbuckle, of Mr. Vernon, N. Y., told of her experience in being lowered in a life boat past the burning side of the vessel. Through fright or physical disability no one was able to take to the oars, but Miss Hadenbuckle and a young man. They rowed valiantly, buffeted by the waves, and brought their little vessel to safety.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hollens of Providence, R. I., were awakened in their stateroom about 11 o'clock.

"Some one yelled fire," said Hollens. "We dressed as best we could and hurried to the deck. Other persons were scurrying from their staterooms. There we stood on the deck for nearly three hours, not knowing whether we would ever live."

"Toward the end we could see the flames sweeping up the side of the

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# MAN AND WIFE TRAVEL THROUGH SLEET AND SNOW FROM DENVER TO HUNT AND FISH HERE

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James A. Faye, accompanied by Mrs. Faye and Claude Bardou, who, by the way, is no other than the guide to Zane Grey, prominent literary figure, when that author made a trip through the Rogue River valley gathering material for future novels, are in Klamath this week.

The vessel. The gray smoke came in clouds.

"Women and children were crying on deck and clinging to the men," said E. C. Basset of West Springfield, Pa. "This excitement, however, soon died down. Then there was silence—deadly silence. All we could do was to wait, and all the time we knew we were standing on top of a furnace."

John Beardon, of Argyle, N. Y., one of the last to leave the ship, told how he and a few companions slid down a pulley rope to the life boats, which already had taken trips to the shore with other passengers.

"I saw flames, and barely missed being burned as I was sliding down the rope," he said.

Mrs. Arthur Starns of Auburn, Maine, was enroute to Florida, with four small children. When she heard the siren she dressed the children. In her arms she carried Berry, 2 years old, and Robert 8 months. The other two, Arthur, 7, and Charles, 5, scrambled up the ladder to the deck behind the mother, who succeeded in getting her brood safely into the lifeboats.

"I don't want to talk about the experience," she said. "It was horrible, but I am thankful to providence that my babies were saved." The babies sat happily on the seat

According to Faye, who is an oil contractor and driller, the party made the trip from their home in Denver to spend a month fishing in the Rogue river country, and hunting for duck and geese in the Tule lake lands, and along the Klamath lake.

"We just came," said Faye last night, "but we're not going away without our quota of the ducks you are flying in on these cold mornings."

of the coach beside her, unmindful of their narrow escape.

# NAVY GRILLED BY RETIRED ADMIRAL

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ing back vigorously against charges of maladministration. There was nothing oratorical about the retired admiral as he lashed the navy he served so long with a fury unabated by his advancing years. He charged that it lacks a definite policy,

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and is "bumping along day by day in hopes." Coolly, deliberate, in a voice conversational in tone, and minus the vivacity it once possessed, the old "sea dog" delivered himself of a series of harrowing denunciations of the administration of the department. He indicated, at least half of the members of the navy's general board as being "hide-bound and uneducated" and unfit to conduct the nation's defense.

"The backbone of the fleet is its capital ships, but I doubt that any more of them will be built, because the power of the plane over the battleship makes it a perfectly foregone conclusion that if a battleship and a plane carrier were to meet

alone at sea we would have reproduction of the bombing tests off the coast—there would be no hope for the battleship.

"The battleship of the future is the airplane carrier. It can get command of the air and bomb enemy ships and even if the battleship

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