

ALL ABOARD FOR OBLIVION

Bullinger, Cannon and Aldrich Are Reported as Having Engaged Tickets for the Excursion.

WILL WALK THE PLANK

August 13 Predicted to be the Most Important Date on the Political Calendar.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] Washington, Aug. 13.—Insurgency has been raised to the dignity of Revolution! This opinion, voiced tonight by a close friend of both President Taft and Col. Roosevelt...

Whether the Colonel had any hand in bringing about the new sensation cannot be authoritatively stated, but many suggest an explanation in the fact that he has spoken no word of public criticism of the Taft administration.

That T. R. was disappointed with Taft when he learned of existing conditions upon returning to this country has been pretty well established. It begins to look as though the colonel had used his personal influence with his friend "Bill."

"Pick your own man," the expression is reported to have advised, "and send him out to sense the attitude of the people."

To Senator Murray Crane was given the assignment. Immediately after Crane had made his report to his chief it was stated that Bullinger would have to go. No denial was forthcoming except from Bullinger.

That there is a feeling of relief generally among the party leaders over the president's decisive action cannot be denied.

\$10,000 RUG FULL OF HOLES

Rockefeller's Daughters' Home on Fire and \$65,000 Worth of Fine Furnishings Are Destroyed.

SAVED JOHN'S PICTURE

Portrait Recently Painted in Oils by German Artist, Was Carried Out by the Firemen.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—Fire caused by ignited benzine invaded the stone mansion of Harold F. McCormick, son-in-law of John D. Rockefeller, at Lake Shore Drive and Bellevue Place this afternoon and within an hour destroyed \$65,000 worth of valuable books, paintings, rugs, tapestries and furnishings.

The McCormicks are touring Europe and for weeks the premises have been undergoing renovation. Benzine has been used and for two weeks the rooms had not been opened and a vapor collected and fire started. This caused an explosion throughout the entire building.

A steel engraving of Mr. and Mrs. Rockefeller was ruined. A valuable portrait of Rockefeller, finished by a celebrated Berlin artist recently, was rescued by the firemen. Every one of the forty rooms was flooded with water. At least 1,000 rare books were destroyed by the flames.

Many domestics narrowly escaped burning to death. A man G. W. Norris is kept in strict quarantine at his home, a member of his family being afflicted with scarlet fever. Norris was not permitted to leave the house to go to a public telephone station and give his views on a report concerning the abdication of Cannon.

TRANS-MISSISSIPPI GOLF TOURNAMENT Starts Monday in Denver With an Entry List of Over Two Hundred.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] DENVER, Colo., Aug. 13.—One hundred and fifty crack golfers, representing 45 clubs in states between the Mississippi and Nevada, are gathering tonight in the annual Trans-Mississippi championship tournament, which begins on the links of the Denver Country Club Monday morning.

BEGGING BUDDA TO SAVE THEM

Floods in Japan Have Swept the Rice Fields and That Means a Famine to the Country.

3,000 ALREADY DEAD

Frantic Prayers to Buddha While the Waters Creep up and Threaten World-Wide Tragedy.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] TOKIO, Aug. 14.—With hundreds of dead-bodies caught in the collapsed structures in the east section of Tokio 300,000 homeless and nearly 2,000,000 starving in the prefectures adjacent to Tokio and Yokohama the result of the floods, prayers for mercy are ascending to the Buddha in a thousand temples. The government's efforts to give aid to the shelterless herds of men, women and children, and the futile attempt of the civil authorities to bring order out of chaos have been pitiful when compared with the tremendous disaster wrought in the cities and towns of the Honshu lowlands laying great stretches of water over the lands, destroying lives, wiping out homes, demolishing residences and further impoverishing the peasantry.

The total number of dead cannot be ascertained until communication with the interior is restored. The most conservative estimate is three thousands. Of these a few Europeans are said to have perished but natives suffered the most. The latest reports early this (Sunday) morning, were that the inhabitants of Waurisawa, the leading summer resort operated by Europeans and Americans, had fled to higher ground and that the Tomenay river was eating away the foundations of the dyke above Tokio, threatening to loosen the turbulent flood upon the higher portions of the city. Thousands of soldiers are on duty in lower Tokio and in the interior, while men from warships in the harbor have given aid.

The great extent of the floods, the inaccessibility of the places submerged and the lack of organized relief makes the officials fear that hundreds will die of starvation or exposure before aid comes. At Sokio, in the south, 30,000 houses were destroyed, 40 persons drowned and the great rice fields ruined. The loss of the rice crop means famine. The town of Shimada, south east of here has been destroyed, and seven hundred persons are starving to death in the Buddhist temple at Honkslingji, which stands in a lake formed by the rising water. Horonouchi, east of here paid a toll of five hundred jined, and 2,000 refugees have fled inland, racing for life.

THESE MATCHES WERE VERY STRIKING Robertson Won all Three Events From DePalma in the Joy Races.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] BRIGHTON BEACH, Aug. 13.—The feature of the matches this afternoon was the matches between Ralph DePalma and George Robertson in their special racing cars. The first event, a mile trial against time went to Robertson in 52:71-100 seconds. DePalma's time was 54:76-100.

WIND SUBSIDES IN THE FOREST Forest Fire Situation in the West is Somewhat Improved Just Now.

STAR SHINING RATHER DIMLY

Star Witness of a Day at the Gore Congressional Investigation Brought Forth Nothing Exciting.

HAD LOST INTEREST

Was at One Time Connected With the Indian Land Contracts as a Business Proposition.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] SULPHUR, Okla., Aug. 13.—Col. Cecil A. Lyon, national committeeman of Sherman, Texas, was the star witness during today's session of the Gore congressional investigation. Col. Lyon denied that he was in any way interested in the contracts at the present time, saying that he agreed to associate himself with McMurray in selling the Indian lands in 1905 strictly as a business proposition. He told of going to President Roosevelt with Commissioner of Indian Affairs Lake and of the president favoring the forming of a stock company in handling the lands. When he found that the president did not approve of the McMurray contracts, Lyon said that ended it with him.

COULD NOT FLY TO THE MOON Aviator Failed to Break the World's Record, But Went Some.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] ASBURY PARK, N. J., Aug. 13.—Ralph Johnstone, of the Wright Bros. aviation team, failed this afternoon in his attempt to break the world's altitude record with an aeroplane, but he gave the 10,000 spectators a thrill, mounting 3,000 feet into the air and soaring about for 35 minutes before he came to earth. Frank Coffey, of the Wright team, made two short flights as did "Archie" Hoxey also, in a Wright biplane.

JACK JOHNSON PINCHED AGAIN Arrested for Exceeding the Speed Limit and Will be Fined Monday Morning.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—Jack Johnson has been "pinched again" for speeding. Jack turned his green devil wagon loose on Michigan avenue late today and was promptly arrested and taken to the police station, where he gave a \$50 cash bail for his appearance Monday morning. After fixing his bail Johnson entered his car and covered the same ground at the same speed. He was not arrested this time. To show he was not courting trouble from another source, however, Jack "tipped off" that arrest was awaiting him at Hammond, Ind., last night where five hundred had paid \$1 per head to see him perform, but he did not appear.

WHERE DIVERS HOLD THEIR NOSES Odors of the Chicago River Are too Strong for the Very Best Swimmers.

BURST OPEN FROM PAROXYSM

The Danger Now to Mayor Gaynor, Comes From the Coughing Spells Which He Has.

OPTIMISTIC REPORTS

Outside of This Alarm, His Condition Gives Hope to Himself and to All of His Friends.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] HOBOKEN, N. J., Aug. 13.—Although the physicians are more optimistic tonight than at any time since Mayor Gaynor was shot, his continued coughing is giving them some uneasiness. The bullet from the assassin's revolver ploughed close to several of the most important arteries in the head, and there is a possibility that a paroxysm might burst them. No one was allowed to enter the sickroom today except the physician, the nurses, Mrs. Gaynor, the mayor's son, Ross, and his private secretary, Robert Adams.

Prayers for Recovery. [Gate City Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—Prayer will be offered in nearly every church in greater New York for the speedy recovery of Mayor Gaynor. Bishop David H. Greer, bishop of New York has directed the rectors of all the Episcopal churches to offer up prayers for the wounded officer, as has the Rev. Father Joseph F. Mooney, vicar general of the New York diocese of the Catholic church. Gen. Ballington Booth, head of the Volunteers of America, ordered each of his street bands to pray for the stricken mayor. A bulletin issued at midnight said "The mayor is sleeping quietly. No change."

CRIPPEN SAILS ON NEXT THURSDAY Doctor and Woman Will Likely Start Back for London this Week.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] FATHER POINT, Aug. 13.—Inspector Dew of Scotland yards boarded the steamer Manitoba on this point at 3 o'clock this afternoon and will proceed to Montreal with the vessel. He made the trip down to meet the steamer in order that he might have an uninterrupted conference with Detective Sergeant A. Mitchell came across on the Manitoba to take Dr. H. H. Crippen back to England. Mitchell has with him a complete record of the case against Crippen since the body was discovered in the cellar of the doctor's residence in Hill Drop Crescent, London. He will introduce them against Crippen before the Quebec magistrate Monday.

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[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—Perry McGillevy won the two mile annual river marathon today, easily defeating H. J. Handy, the crack swimmer of the Athletic Club, and setting a new record. 100,000 people lined the river banks and watched the race. McGillevy finished the 2 mile course in 38 minutes and 3 seconds, four minutes and 7 seconds under previous records. Ninety-five swimmers were entered and several were slightly overcome by the odor of the river.

POLICE STRIKE DURING STRIKE

Sixty-Three Regulars Refuse to Work and Specials Also go on a Mutiny and Lay Down.

VIGILANTES FORMED

Mayor is Handicapped in His Efforts to Preserve Order During the Street Car Trouble.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] COLUMBUS, Ohio, Aug. 13.—Following the lead of the 63 regular policemen who tonight refused to do strike duty on the Columbus Railway and Light company's cars, 21 special policemen mutined tonight and Mayor Marshall, seriously handicapped in his efforts to control the strike situation, called upon Sheriff Sartain for aid. The Chamber of Commerce raised \$25,000 to defray the cost of employing special policemen. The reinforcements are not however, sufficient to prevent rioting.

COAST ATHLETE IS CHAMPION F. C. Thomason of Los Angeles is Winner at Games Held on Marshall Field.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—F. C. Thomason, of Los Angeles, with a percentage of 69.1, now holds the title of all around champion as the result of winning the annual meet of the Amateur Athletic Union held on Marshall field today under the auspices of the Chicago Athletic Association. J. H. Gillass of Vancouver, B. C. who in private life is a policeman, and who is said to have been the biggest man on the field today, left his "beat" long enough to be a close second to Thomason, with a percentage of 60.9.

DAILY DENIAL FROM BALLINGER For the Tenth Time He Repeats that He Does Not Expect to Resign.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] KLAMATH FALLS, Oregon, Aug. 13.—Richard A. Ballinger, secretary of interior, arrived in this city tonight and went immediately to his hotel where a United Press representative called on him. Mr. Ballinger was told of a story that was given wide circulation today, that he would leave the cabinet on or before September 15, after the report of the Pinchot-Bullinger investigating committee had been made public.

STUCK ON A ROCK. LONDON, Aug. 13.—Dispatches to the admiralty tonight report that the British armored cruiser Duke of Edinburgh went ashore today on a rock off Cowes. A dense fog was hanging over the sea at the time. It is reported from Portsmouth that assistance has been asked by wireless and has been sent by several vessels leaving for the scene. There are 750 men and officers on board the cruiser, which is reported to be in a dangerous and exposed condition. The Duke of Edinburgh was one of the three English cruisers taking part in the recent Hudson-Fulton celebration in New York.

HUGS AND KISSES FOR AVIATORS

Frenchmen are Pounded Upon and Made a Fuss Over When They Finished Their Thrilling Flight.

CUT THROUGH STORM

Au Brun and Le Blanc Are the Only Ones Left in the Race for the \$27,000 Prize.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] PARIS, Aug. 13.—Paris gave herself over to unbounded enthusiasm tonight when it heard of the success attending the aeroplane flights of Au Brun and Le Blanc from Mezerles to Douai, in the fourth stretch of the cross country flight for Le Matin's prize of \$20,000 and other prizes totaling \$27,000. The fact that the men were able to drive their machines through a violent storm is considered the greatest aeroplane feat yet accomplished. It is believed to furnish the final proof of the superiority of the aeroplane over the dirigible balloon as a war factor.

DOUAI, Aug. 13.—After a thrilling battle with a storm, so fierce as to blow down telegraph poles, Aviator Au Brun today won the fourth lap of the big cross country aeroplane flight from Mezerles to Douai, 87 miles. Le Blanc, the only other contestant still in the race, finished fifty minutes behind Au Brun. It was Le Blanc's first defeat in the four days of racing. He is still ahead of Au Brun, however, for the total distance of 352 miles since the race started. Le Blanc left Mezerles at 3:55 this afternoon and Au Brun at 4:09. Au Brun reached Douai at 6:30 and Le Blanc at 7:10. The men had a fearful struggle with the wind and all along the route, they were seen to be in the wind. They were believed to be taking their lives in their hands. When they set out from Mezerles and at their daring and the successful ending of their flight aroused the tremendous enthusiasm here.

IT WAS A HORSE ON THE BOOKIES Sheriff Made Spectacular Raid on the Bookmakers at the Race Track.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] RANDALL, Ohio, Aug. 13.—What may be the last Grand Circuit meeting in Cleveland closed here today in a blaze of fireworks. Sheriff Hirstins furnished much of the pyrotechnics when he made a spectacular raid on the bookmakers. His sudden appearance was the signal for a wild scramble on the part of the bookmakers and their clerks who fled wildly, spilling the contents of their cash books in their eagerness to get away. They all escaped arrest. Hirstins said he would give the confiscated money to charity. The crowd yelled for the payment of their bets, but were ignored.

THE WEATHER. CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—Weather forecast—Illinois, showers and cooler Sunday, Monday, fair except showers in extreme south portion. Missouri—Showers and slightly cooler Sunday, Monday, fair. Iowa—Showers Sunday, cooler in east and central portions, Monday, fair; warmer in west and north portions.

Local Observations. Bar, Therm. Wind, Weather. 12 7 a.m. 80.04 68 S Clear 13 7 p.m. 29.99 80 S Cloudy River below low water of 1864 4 tenths. Change in 24 hours fall 1 tenth. Mean temperature, 75. Maximum temperature, 85. Minimum temperature, 65. FRED Z. GOSEWISCH, Observer.