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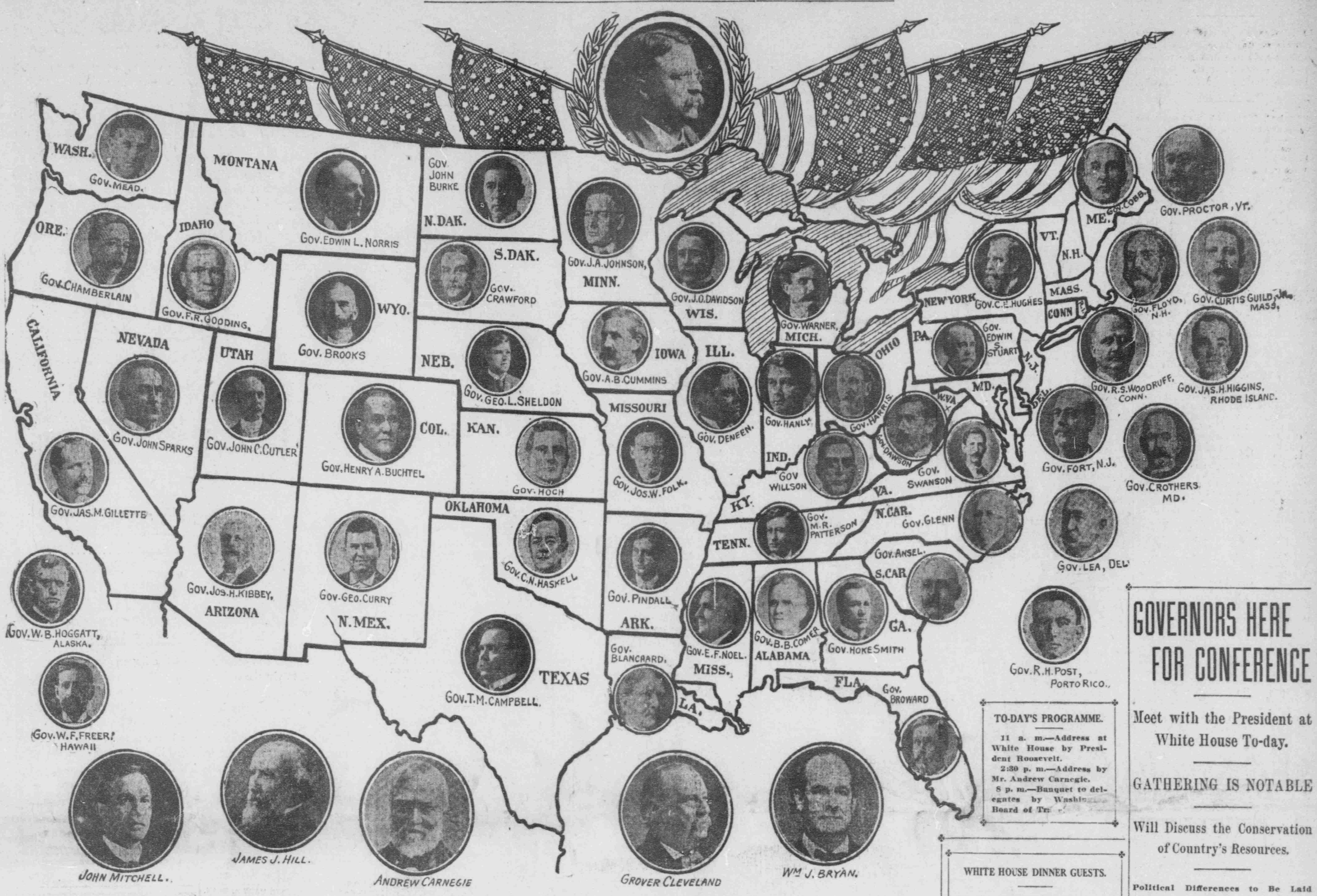
GOVERNORS AND OTHER PROMINENT MEN GATHERED TO DISCUSS CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES



TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

11 a. m.—Address at White House by President Roosevelt.

2:30 p. m.—Address by Mr. Andrew Carnegie.

8 p. m.—Banquet to delegates by Washington Board of Trade.

WHITE HOUSE DINNER GUESTS.

Vice President Fairbanks.
Chief Justice Fuller.
Speaker Cannon.
Mr. Justice Harlan.
Mr. Justice Brewer.
Mr. Justice White.
Mr. Justice McKenna.
Mr. Justice Holmes.
Mr. Justice Day.
Mr. Justice Moody.
The Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Garfield.
The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Wilson.
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Hon. William Jennings Bryan.
Representative Theodore E. Burton.
Brig. Gen. Alexander Mackenzie.
Mr. Andrew Carnegie.
Mr. James J. Hill.
Hon. George C. Pardee.
Hon. John F. Hill.
Mr. John Mitchell.
Hon. Herbert Knox Smith.
Mr. Giffort Pinchot.
Mr. W. G. McKee.
Mr. F. H. Newell.
Col. Charles S. Bromwell.
Capt. Frank R. McCoy.
Capt. Archibald W. Butt.

GOVERNORS HERE FOR CONFERENCE

Meet with the President at White House To-day.

GATHERING IS NOTABLE

Will Discuss the Conservation of Country's Resources.

Political Differences to Be Laid Aside in Effort to Formulate Method by Which Nation's Natural Products May Be Protected—President Roosevelt Delivers Initial Address in East Room at 11 o'Clock.

Perhaps the most important meeting ever held in the Capital of the United States will be the conference of governors of States and men distinguished in political life of the nation at the White House to-day, to-morow, and the day following in behalf of the preservation of the country's natural resources.

The personnel of the delegates alone will make the convention an event of world-wide interest. Among those invited to attend by President Roosevelt are members of the Cabinet, judges of the Supreme Court of the United States, governors of all the States in the Union, including the executives of Alaska and Hawaii, and Andrew Carnegie, William Jennings Bryan, James J. Hill, the railroad magnate; John Mitchell, the labor leader, and prominent scientists and business men from all over the country.

At 8 o'clock to-night the Washington Board of Trade will give a banquet to the deelgates at the New Willard.

Lay Aside Differences.

Political differences, opposing issues of national questions and business rivalry, will be laid aside to discuss the ways and means of conserving the natural resources of the country.

For three days this question will be thrashed out by the greatest political and economic intellects of the country. President Roosevelt will open the convention with an exposition of the why and wherefore of the convention, and an outline of his views of the matter.

While on his trip down the Mississippi River last fall, with the governors of sixteen States, under the auspices of the Inland Waterways Association, he is said to have obtained the nucleus of the idea, which has since resulted in the present conference. The President on that trip impressed the opinion that the question of the conservation of the natural resources of the country was of more importance than the regulation of the railroad rate question.

Every subject and the entire scheme will be gone into thoroughly, and will be handled with the greatest regard for all.

Programme of Events.

A number of papers, prepared at the President's request, will be read and discussed, as follows:

May 13, 11 a. m.—"Conservation as a national duty," Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States. 2:30 p. m.—Mineral resources: "Ores and related minerals," Andrew Carnegie. "Mineral fuels," Dr. I. C. White, State geologist of West Virginia. General discussion, opened by John Mitchell, lately president United Mine Workers of America.

May 14, 10 a. m.—Land resources: "Soil," Prof. T. C. Chamberlin, University of Chicago, geologist United States Geological Survey, president American Association for the Advancement of Science. "Forests," R. A. Long, president Long-Bell Lumber

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Your Bank Balances Will Earn Interest for you in banking dept. of Union Trust Co., 15th and H sts. Put your surplus money to work. Deposits subject to check. Under government supervision.

Two-year-old Rose Bushes; Best Variety. Special, 35c. Blackistone, 14th & H.

BRENNAN CHARGES AIRED AT HEARING

Sensational Development Is Expected Soon.

WITNESSES TO BE SUBPOENAED

Complainant on Stand Refuses to Answer Question, Declaring He Does Not Intend to Be Called a Liar, and Demands Privilege of Introducing Witnesses.

That developments of sensational nature will be the result of the investigation into the charges filed with the District Commissioners against the engineer department by the P. J. Brennan Construction Company, alleging discrimination against the company, was shown yesterday afternoon just before the first session of the hearing was adjourned.

The hearing had dragged along in a rather tiresome manner, with nothing of apparent importance to come, when Commissioner Morrow began to cross-examine P. J. Brennan, president of the Brennan company, regarding a statement made by the latter as to the honesty of Charles Fernald, former assistant engineer of highways of the District, and who resigned a few weeks ago.

Mr. Brennan had informed the Commissioners that on several occasions when he had questioned Fernald as to why work for which the Brennan company had furnished the lowest bid was being awarded to another company, the latter had replied:

"Your company is too chinchy; you don't give up anything, and you won't get any of the work."

Would Shake Statement.

Commissioner Morrow, in an effort to shake this statement, asked Brennan if he had not informed him on a certain occasion that he thought Fernald was honest, and also, on another occasion, if he had not said that Fernald had not approached him in the manner in which he had just described on the stand. Brennan recollected the first statement, but said he had modified it by saying that Fernald was "honest according to Fernald's conception of honesty," but denied knowledge of the other statement attributed to him by Maj. Morrow.

In an effort to refresh the memory of the witness, Maj. Morrow referred to conversations which, he said, occurred at that time with Brennan, and which he repeated. Still Brennan could not recollect the statement.

"Do you remember, on one occasion," said Maj. Morrow, "of telling me of a rather mysterious visit which was paid one evening either at your house by Fernald, or at his house by you I don't re-

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Large Sale of New Furniture At Sloan's, 1407 G st., to-day and to-morrow at 10 a. m. No reserve prices.

WEST POINT MEN WORRY.

Cadets Anxious to Know Where Supt. Scott Is.

West Point, N. Y., May 12.—Where is Col. Hugh L. Scott, superintendent of the United States Military Academy, is what the rank and file at West Point would like to know.

About two months ago Col. Scott was selected by President Roosevelt to proceed at once from West Point to the wilds of New Mexico to suppress mining troubles. The President regarded the colonel as a complete master of all the Indian dialects, and the most suitable army officer for the situation. In obedience of orders, Col. Scott promptly put out for the West. He has not been heard from for weeks, and his command at West Point is becoming very anxious as to his whereabouts.

During Col. Scott's absence Lieut. Robert Howze, commandant of cadets, has been the acting superintendent.

NEGRO STEALS DIOGENES.

Thief Takes Lantern and All, and Learns It's a Hoodoo.

New York, May 12.—George Jackson, a negro, who says he lives in Newark, made away with a bronze cast of Diogenes and his lantern from a Sixth avenue department store early to-day.

He was held in $500 bail for trial by Magistrate Steinert in the Jefferson Market Court. Magistrate Steinert was amazed when he learned what the stolen object was. Turning to the prisoner, he said:

"You ought to know you would get caught. Didn't you know the old man was a regular hoodoo for thieves?"

Jackson admitted that he didn't, and added that if he had known he wouldn't have touched Diogenes.

NEGRO ATTACKS WOMAN.

Indian Head Officer Telephones to Washington for Bloodhounds.

Telephone messages were received at police headquarters last night from an officer at Indian Head, Md., who wanted trained bloodhounds.

The officer told Lieut. Peck, who answered the telephone call, that a white woman had been attacked by a negro and left in a critical condition. He said the negro had escaped, and that bloodhounds were wanted to assist in the capture of the fugitive.

Lieut. Peck was unable to get further information from the Indian Head officer. He was unable, also, to comply with the request to furnish bloodhounds, as none are available in Washington, so far as known, for that purpose.

Connections for Annapolis.

On and after Wednesday, May 13, Pennsylvania R. R. trains leaving Union Station, Washington, at 7:40 a. m., 12:30, 3:40, and 5:45 p.m. weekdays, and 5:45 p.m. Sundays, will connect at Odenton for Annapolis.

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WALLACE ELECTED; HUGHES GAINS VOTE

Republicans Win Senator in Niagara District.

IS PLEDGED TO ANTI-BETTING

Successor to Late Senator Franchot Will Go to Albany to Fight Gambling at the Race Tracks—Margin Is 248—Albany Surprised at the Result—Governor Congratulated.

Buffalo, N. Y., May. 12.—William C. Wallace, of Niagara Falls, pledged to support the governor in his fight to do away with race-track gambling in this State, was elected to-day to succeed the late Senator Franchot by 248 votes.

To Orleans County belongs all the credit. Disrupted by the war between the Merritt and Porter factions, the Niagara County Republicans failed. McMahon, the Democratic candidate, carried the county by a plurality of 599 votes, but the ten towns of Orleans rolled up a plurality of 847 for Wallace. On a good day for farmers to catch up with their delayed spring work, they helped give the Republican candidate a plurality greater than they gace Senator Franchot at a regular election, and the Niagara Republicans, who gave Franchot a plurality of 744, allowed the Democrats to come out of the conflict 599 votes to the good, a reversal of 1,343.

McMahon Strong in Cities.

McMahon's great strength was in the cities, although in North Tonawanda the Republicans made a very good showing. In Niagara Falls McMahon got a plurality of 478, and in Lockport he got 562. Last year Lockport elected a Femocratic may or by thirteen votes. Wallace this year carrier only one ward of the city.

In the Second Assembly district, outside of Niagara Falls, Wallace cuts his opponent's lead down from 478 to 26, but in the First District, outside of Lockport, McMahon actually gained nine votes.

A general lack of in trest in the election cost Wallace many votes in Niagara County. Some of the farmers could not get away from their work; others, deceived by reports that the special election would cost $20,000, which the taxpayers would hahve to settle, stayed away on purpose.

Down in Medina, former Senator Irving L'Hommedieu, still weak from his long illness, got out of a sick bed to lead the friends of the governor. All day long he was in command.

Much Money Used.

The race track representatives got rid of a good deal of money right in Medina, it is charged.

The vote by counties is: Noagara—Wallace (Rep.), 4,982; McMahon (Dem.), 5,581; Orleans—Wallace, 2,619; McMahon, 1,72; totals—Wallace, 7,601; McMahon, 7,353. Wallace's plurality, 248.

Albany Is Surprised.

Albany, N. Y., May 12.—The election of Wallace in the Forty-seventh senatorial district caused some surprise here, and that the result will have a most important bearing on the future of the extraordinary session of the legislature is the opinion of the most conservative members.

That the fate of the anti-race-track gambling bill swings in the balance now is admitted by all, for Senator-elect Wallace was elected squarely on the issue of supporting the governor in his fight to repeal the Percy-Gray betting law. Even if Senator Foelker, who is ill, does not return to attend the session, there are some who believe that the result of the betting bills may be against the track interests.

Gov. Hughes was kept informed of the results. Many telegrams of congratulation were sent from the district. Gov. Hughes on Sunday expressed the utmost confidence in the victory of Wallace.

SCHOONER MAY BE LOST.

Chicago Broker and Friend Thought to Have Perished.

New London, Conn., May 12.—The schooner yacht Valmore, recently purchased by William Hale Thompson, a real estate broker and clubman of Chicago, which started for the latter city on Monday evening of last week, is believed to have been lost in a gale of last Wednesday and Thursday.

The yacht's owner and a guest, George R. Peare, another prominent business man and member of the Chicago Yacht Club, were on board, besides a crew of seven.

New Furniture at Your Own Price.

To-day at Sloan's, 1407 G st., at 10 a. m., there will be sold thousands of dollars' worth of new furniture, just from the manufacturers; also a great variety of lace curtains, brass and enamel bedsteads; roll, flat-top, and typewriter desks; office chairs, tables, &c. Housekeepers, hotel men, and office folk will save from 50 to 75 per cent by attending this important auction event. Every piece to the highest bidder without reserve. Sale again to-morrow at same hour.

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HARPY PERISHED IN BURNED HOUSE

Rings on Hand Identify the Body of the Murderess.

GOLD TEETH ARE ALSO FOUND

Dentist Identifies Crown on Hollow Molar as Work Done by Him for Mrs. Belle Gunness—Mystery Yet in Meaning of Inscriptions in Circlets Worn by the Monster.

Laporte, Ind., May 12.—Mrs. Belle Gunness, the multi-murderess, died in the fire that destroyed her home on the morning of April 28.

That fact was apparently settled beyond cavil to-day, when one of the workmen in the debris in the cellar brought to light a gold-crowned tooth, which a dentist identified as his workmanship, and said that he did it for Mrs. Gunness. The tooth is a hollow molar, and the crown is to some extent indented and partially incrusted with cinders. It bears every evidence of having come from the incinerated skull of Mrs. Gunness, and the find has been accepted by the authorities as conclusive of the death of the woman in the incendiary fire that destroyed her home.

Close to the torso on the slab in the morgue was a chunk of what was taken to be charcoal. It was so badly burned that it did not seem to resemble flesh. The cinder was broken open, and was found to be what was left of a human hand, the fleshless fingers tightly clutched. On the skeleton fingers were three rings that had withstood the heat of the flames. Two of them were plain gold bands, and a microscopic examination showed one to be the wedding ring given

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TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS OF WASHINGTON.

Read the Washington Herald's offer on Page 9—to take you to Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show.

Free of cost to you.

Auction Sale of Lumber. Doors, moldings, sash, glass, millwork, &c., at Riley's Lumber Yard, 13th st. and Ohio ave. nw., will continue to-day at 10:30 a. m.