Fair today and tomorrow.

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TRAINS COLLIDE, 6 DEAD

Dispatcher Fails to Give Orders Correctly.

Rock Island Wrecks Fire Following Disaster.

Fifty Miles an Hour, Around Sharp Curve.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Aug. 24.—Because a train dispatcher at Sapulpa failed to give train orders correctly, two passenger trains on Rock Island, Nos. 212 and 213, crashed into each other this afternoon at 4 o'clock, a mile and a half west of Tulsa, completely demolishing both engines and five cars, killing six people and seriously injuring others.

The dead:

CHRIS. BRENTZE, engineer, Monett, Mo.

CHARLES GRANGER, fireman, Sapulpa.

TOM CONWAY, engineer, Monett, Mo.

Three unknown.

List of Injured.

Among those injured are W. B. Elgin, St. Louis, back hurt and several ribs broken; A. P. Taylor, Covington, Ky., leg broken; William B. Hillyard, engineer, No. 212, leg broken and crushed, and perhaps fatally injured; R. W. Bruner, Pittsburg, Pa., right leg broken.

Both were through passenger trains, one doing the bulk of the business between Texas, Oklahoma, to Kansas City and St. Louis, and the other one a Texas and Oklahoma train out of Kansas City.

Trains Catch Fire.

Immediately after the wreck both trains caught fire and are still burning. The cars piled up in a great mass, the engines, baggage, mail and express cars all being completely wrecked. There was no water in the vicinity to extinguish the flames.

The trains were running at a rate of fifty miles per hour and coming around a sharp curve. As Engineer Bentze saw the other train a few feet ahead, he threw on the air and tried to stop, but it could not be done.

This makes the second wreck that has occurred at this place during the past year.

Many Persons Injured In D. & R. G. Wreck

SALIDA, Col., Aug. 24.—Westbound double-header passenger train No. 5 on the Denver and Rio Grande is reported wrecked east of here on a sharp curve.

Several cars turned over and many persons were injured.

BRYAN ATTACKS ROOSEVELT IDEA

Corporations, He Says, Demand Federal Protection From State Laws.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 24.—William Jennings Bryan attacks President Roosevelt's Federal regulation policies in an article in the next issue of the Commoner, and declares that Democrats may be trusted to oppose with all their might this movement toward centralization.

Bryan says it is doubtful whether even Republican Congressmen from the West will support the President's proposition of Federal incorporation. Mr. Bryan calls upon Democrats to "present an unbroken front along these lines."

He says in part:

"Here is the secret. It is out at last. The States are annoying the corporations and the corporations demand Federal protection from State legislation. The States have been enacting 2-cent rate laws, and laws reducing freight rates.

"A Hamiltonian Republican like the President may think that the further the Government is removed from the people the better it will be, but a Jefferson Democrat does not cherish any such delusion. It is fortunate that the people have had an object lesson recently. The Federal Government stopped rebating and passes, but the roads make more money than they did before."

PULLMAN SHOPS BURN AT DENVER, COLORADO

DENVER, Col., Aug. 24.—The Pullman shops in Denver, the largest in the West, are burning fiercely and it is feared will be totally destroyed.

Times Features Today

For the winning answer to The Sunday Times' million dollar question see second section, page 7.

Luna Park coupons will be found in third section, page 9.

DOOMS BISHOP TO DIE

Episcopal Clergyman Gets Black Hand Letter.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The latest celebrity doomed to death by the Black Hand Society is the Right Rev. Frederick Burgess, Episcopal Bishop of Long Island. It became known today that Bishop Burgess had received a letter, with the signet of the Black Hand, warning him that he and all his family are to be blown up in the see house at Garden City by a bomb.

Trouble Beset Administration.

Already greatly worried by the troubles which have beset his administration of the Long Island diocese within the past few months the bishop was plainly laboring under mental excitement when a reporter called at the cathedral today to verify the report of the threats against his life.

The bishop admitted that such a letter had been received by him but he refused to divulge its contents.

Threatening Letters.

"My private mail is my own affair," he said. "The public cannot be interested and I decline to say anything about it."

The bishop's secretary, however, was authority for the reports that threatening letters had been received and many members of the congregation are greatly worried lest an attempt be made to blow up the see house or the cathedral.

TAFT HAILED IN OKLAHOMA AS MOUTHPIECE

OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 24.—With Capt. Charles E. Hunter, formerly of the Rough Riders, at his side, and Capt. Frank E. Frantz, also a Rough Rider, near at hand, Secretary of War William H. Taft, hailed by the people of Oklahoma as the personal representative and mouthpiece of President Roosevelt in the present unsettled condition of Statehood, was cheered here today by thousands, who had come from all parts of the new State to hear what he would have to say on the proposed constitution.

Five Bands at Hand.

The train bearing the Secretary arrived at 1:30, and he was hustled into a brand new automobile. With five bands from all parts of the Territory and a string of automobiles following, Taft was ushered to his hotel.

Seated beside Taft in the rear seat of the machine was Captain Hunter, chairman of the State committee and former Rough Rider. Hunter weighs 135, and is about five feet eight inches, but he managed to crowd Taft considerably. Taft met hundreds of former Ohians throughout the afternoon, and shook hands will all visitors at a public reception in the afternoon. Taft told the people in his speech that the proposed constitution, which Bryan had recently referred to as being one of the best in the United States, was not a constitution at all.

God Blessed Future State.

On the constitution he said:

"God has blessed your grand Territory, your future State, with wealth, with resources that are bountiful. The question which you have to solve is are you going to permit Bourbonism and Populism, flavored with Socialism to hamper your feet as you go on? You have an election next month and there are two issues that present themselves at that time for your consideration. The first issue is whether you shall adopt this so-called fundamental instrument, this constitution, as a condition to the new State of Oklahoma, and the second is, assuming that it is to be adopted you shall put into power the man that created that constitution or shall put into power men that will palliate its effect and make the dose as palatable as you can take it."

Continuing Mr. Taft said:

"This constitution is complicated beyond any constitution I ever saw. Compare it with the Constitution of the United States, a model of comprehensive diction and brevity; and yet that instrument has lasted for 130 years, and had adapted itself to the enormous changes in our condition that have come far beyond the dream of any of the founders of this Government and the men who constructed that wonderful instrument."

Taft was the guest of the Republican State central committee at a banquet tonight, and leaves for Joplin, Springfield, and Kansas City tomorrow morning.

Latest Picture of the President, His Wife, Miss Ethel, and the Boys

The President and His Family at Their Oyster Bay Summer Home, on August 15, From Stereographs, Copyrighted 1907, by Underwood and Underwood, New York.

Mrs. Roosevelt and Her Daughter Ethel, Who Succeeds to the Title of Belle of the White House.

OPERATORS GLAD, BIG LABOR DAY CELEBRATION ON

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The striking telegraph operators in this city are eagerly awaiting the arrival of President Small.

It is believed that the leader of the strike will make an announcement that will help to keep some of the magnates who are in charge of the fight against the men from taking vacation trips.

On Mr. Small's arrival it is expected steps will be taken toward bringing about arbitration of the grievances which caused the operators to inaugurate the strike over the country.

Labor Day Celebration.

Preparations are being made to turn the Labor Day celebrations a week from Monday into demonstrations favoring the striking operators in every city and town in the country, if the strike has not ended at that time.

Steps have already been taken to see that the celebrations everywhere take the form of sympathy for the operators.

In this city notices are being sent out to all union men to turn out in the

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ROOT SOUND IN HIS MIND, ADVISERS SAY

Secretary Merely Getting Needed Exercise From Wrestler.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Denials that Secretary of State Root is in any danger of a mental collapse, despite the fact that his physical breakdown has sent him as a patient to William Muldoon's retreat, near White Plains, for rejuvenation in the strenuous school of the ex-wrestler were forthcoming today both from Muldoon and Dr. Dixon, of Southampton, who has been Mr. Root's medical adviser for a long time.

Dr. Dixon was especially anxious that a contradition should be given of the reports of a mental breakdown which have gone over the country as the result of the discovery that the Secretary has been Muldoon's patient for ten days.

Muldoon likewise denied reports of any mental trouble in Mr. Root's case. Overwork, he explains, has overtaxed his strength. His sixty-four years have not weakened Mr. Root's energy, but have preyed upon his body so that he cannot accomplish the tasks which once were not too hard.

Muldoon announced that Mr. Root's cure will be completed by September 7 and he will then leave for a prolonged trip to Mexico, which is expected to put the finishing touches on the rejuvenating process.

LEUTZE DENIED TRIP TO EAST WITH THE FLEET

Because he has made himself so highly efficient and so valuable to the Navy Department in his duties as commandant of the Washington navy yard and superintendent of the gun foundry in that yard, Rear Admiral Eugene Henry Cozzens Leutze will be deprived of the opportunity to realize his ambition to command a division of battleships and accompany Rear Admiral Evans on his cruise with the Atlantic fleet around to the Pacific coast. Admiral Leutze's request for a division command has been denied by the Navy Department on the ground that he could not be spared from his present duties.

On October 16 next, Admiral Luczze will have served two years as commandant of the Washington yard, this period being the regular length of a tour of duty. In the following November, he will have been on shore duty three years, and will be due for sea duty. As he will be retired, in the regular course of events, November 16, 1909, it will be necessary for him to be sent to sea next fall in order to get in the desired two years at sea before retirement.

But at the present time, there is no liklihood that Admiral Leutze will go to sea the coming fall. So far as can be seen now, there will be no vacancy for him in a sea command at all dur-

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FIVE KILLED BY EXPLOSION; GIRLS IN PANIC

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 24.—Two terrific explosions in the Dupont powder mills at Sobrante, on the Bay shore opposite San Francisco, today completely wrecked the plant, killed five workingmen, and injured two score. The country for miles around was shaky by the explosion.

Believing the shock to have been caused by an earthquake, 500 girls employed in the California canneries on this side of the bay stampeded, and in the wild rush for exits seven of the women were badly injured, several of them perhaps fatally.

Two Likely Blown to Pieces.

The first explosion occurred in the nitroglycerin mixing house. Two of the men working in the place have not been seen since, and it is believed they were blown to pieces. A few minutes later the buildings burst into flames, and a second explosion wrecked the remaining structures. The entire town turned out to fight the flames, but the plant was destroyed.

The detonation of the explosions, crossing the waters of the bay, reached the factory of the California Canneries Company, at North Beach, full force. There were about 500 women and girls at work in the factory, many of them peeling fruit with short, sharp knives. When the buildings shook, a wild dash for the street started. Men workmen, realizing the danger of a panic, stood at the head of the stairway leading out of the large working room and tried to beat the frenzied crowd back, but they were swept aside.

Women Locked in Hallway.

Then those below slammed the heavy doors leading to the street and hundreds of women who threw themselves headlong down the stairs were crushed against the barred exit. Women fought like mad with their peeling knives and injured their companions, many becoming unconscious from fright and pain. When the police arrived the doors were thrown open and the women allowed to reach the street.

Seven of them were seriously injured and others suffered minor hurts. It is believed that four may die. Three of these suffered fractured skulls, and bruised chests in the terrible crush at the doorway when the crowd piled down. They were at the bottom of the mass and unconscious when the doors were opened.

HOTEL JEWEL THEFT

Willard Guest Suffers Diamond Ring Loss.

Woman Left Her Gems on Wash-Basin Stand.

Robbery List Growing, Mrs. Shoemaker's Case Proves.

ROBBERIES YESTERDAY:

Mrs. Dolly Shoemaker, 1943 Calvert street. $1,000 in jewels

Miss Mamie Donaldson, 1032 Thirty-first st... $7.75 in purse

Herbert Cropster, Plymouth apartment house..... Clothing

Franklin Duckett, 634 East Capitol street..... Army tent

A $1,000 jewel robbery was added last night to the remarkable number of thefts which have occurred in Washington within the last few days.

Leaving three handsome diamond rings on a wash basin in the women's dressing room at the New Willard Hotel, Mrs. Dolly Shoemaker, of 194 South Calvert street, wife of John E. Shoemaker, secretary and treasurer of the Washington Bill Posting Company, returned half an hour later to find the jewels missing.

Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker went to the Willard for dinner about 5 o'clock last evening. Before entering the dining-room, Mrs. Shoemaker went to the dressing-room while her husband waited in the lobby. After they had been seated at the table for half an hour, Mrs. Shoemaker glanced at her left hand, and remarked to her husband that she had left her rings on the wash basin.

Rings Soon Disappear.

Returning to the dressing room, Mrs. Shoemaker found the rings had disappeared. Her husband made inquiries at the office, but no one had reported finding the rings.

Mr. Shoemaker communicated immediately with James A. McDevitt, a private detective, and later the assistance of the police was asked. Central Office Detectives Burlingame and Weedon were assigned to the case, but at a late hour last night no clue had been obtained that would lead to the recovery of the jewels.

Mrs. Shoemaker described the rings as follows: One large cluster ring set with thirty diamonds, valued at $350; one ring set with three large diamonds, $100; one ring set with two opals with pearl in center, marked "John to Dolly, 1896," $250.

More Robberies Reported.

Several other robberies of minor importance were reported to the police last night, in addition to the list published in The Times yesterday. Herbert Crapster, of the Plymouth apartment house, reported several articles of clothing stolen from a trunk in the basement of the building.

Miss Mamie Donaldson, of 1032 Thirty-first street, reported a pocketbook stolen from a counter in a downtown department store while she was making a purchase yesterday afternoon. The purse contained $7.75.

Franklin Duckett, of 634 East Capitol street, reported a large army tent stolen from his residence.

The larceny of several bicycles is engaging the attention of Detective Trumbo.

SAMPSON'S GRANDSON PUNISHED AS CADET

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Aug. 24.—Severe punishment has just been meted out to three midshipmen of the fourth class, Harold B. Sampson, of Palmyra, N. Y., grandson of the late Admiral Sampson; Howard S. Keep, of Lowell, Mass., and Charles C. Julian, of Thomasville, N. C., who were caught in an effort to take "French leave" at the academy.

Each youth was given fifty demerits, and restricted to the academy grounds for several weeks.

CARDINAL TALIANA DEAD; ONCE NUNCIO AT VIENNA

OSEOLI, Italy, Aug. 24.—Cardinal Emilio Taliana, former papal nuncio at Vienna, is dead. He was born in Italy, in 1838, and was elevated to the rank of cardinal, in 1903.