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Continued light winds.

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## WRECK WITNESSES SHIFING BLAME

Regular Train Didn't Know  
Special Was on  
Track.

## RUNNING FAST TO MAKE UP TIME

Erasures on Orders and Oral In-  
structions Figure in Testimony.  
Evidence of Motorman Needed.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 22.—With a  
maze of conflicting testimony, and the  
responsibility seemingly shifted from  
one shoulder to another as the investi-  
gation progresses, Coroner John J.  
Davis today resumed the inquiry into  
the causes of the head-on collision on  
the Washington, Baltimore and Annapo-  
lis Railway, June 5, which caused a  
loss of nine lives and injury to a score  
of passengers.

Oral orders, interlined orders, and an  
apparent general misunderstanding  
among the employees as to what was  
happening on the line, figure in the  
mix-up.

The jury retired shortly after 1  
o'clock to consider the evidence, and a  
verdict is expected during the after-  
noon. The inquiry is being held, prac-  
tically speaking, over the body of Mrs.  
Mary A. Green, of Washington, one of  
the nine victims, although the same  
testimony will be made to apply to all  
cases.

### Need Missing Motorman.

Adding to the difficulty in fixing re-  
sponsibility for the catastrophe is the  
absence of Motorman Wadsworth, who,  
although expected to testify, is not  
present, having gone, it is understood,  
to his former home in Ohio, beyond  
the jurisdiction of the Maryland au-  
thorities. Motorman Wadsworth was in  
charge of the extra car which collided  
with the regular Baltimore train, No.  
12, on the night of the wreck.

The inquiry today so far shows from  
the testimony of witnesses the follow-  
ing:

That the regular train at the time of  
the collision was running at a speed  
of seventy miles an hour.

That the conductor and motorman of  
this train had no knowledge whatever  
of an extra being on the line.

That Conductor Burrascoe and Motor-  
man Wadsworth, in charge of the ex-  
tra, were running at a speed of twenty  
miles an hour, and endeavored to make  
Best Gate in the belief that it was not  
possible for the regular to make that  
point within the time it did.

### Changed Train Order.

Train Dispatcher Scott first sent the  
following order to the extra: "Car No.  
21 will run extra from Annapolis to  
Academy Junction. Car No. 21 will  
meet engine No. 4 on car 133 at Best  
Gate." A moment later, so Mr. Scott  
testified, he changed his mind about this  
and instructed Operator Shoemaker, at  
Annapolis, to "scratch out" that por-  
tion of the order relating to meeting  
the other train at Best Gate. The re-  
habilitated order read: "Car No. 21 will  
run extra from Annapolis to Academy  
Junction, and report at Best Gate."

Conductor Burrascoe, in charge of the  
extra, said that he did not know of this  
change until he received the order from  
the Annapolis operator, and that it is  
against the rules of the company to  
accept an erased or interlined order.  
He would not have done so in this  
instance, he said, except that Operator  
Shoemaker assured him that every-  
thing was all right.

### Operators Disagree.

There is also a discrepancy in the  
testimony of Dispatcher Scott and Op-  
erator Shoemaker as to the exact in-  
structions used by the former in telling the  
Annapolis operator to kill the original  
message. Dispatcher Scott says he told  
him to "destroy or burn" the order,  
which means to write a new order.  
Shoemaker says that he dictated the  
original order over the phone and then  
said:

"Wait a minute; scratch it out," re-  
ferring to that clause authorizing the  
meeting of the regular train at Best  
Gate.

Conductor Isaac Walraven said that  
he left Academy Junction with the regu-  
lar train at 7:35 p. m., making Water-  
bury at 7:33. This is a distance of a lit-  
tle over six miles. He said that the  
wreck would have made Camp Parole at 7:40,  
in this manner gaining ten of the thirty-  
three minutes he was behind, had not  
the collision occurred.

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## WEATHER REPORT.

High pressure persists in the south-  
east, and warm weather therefore con-  
tinues east of the Rocky mountains, ex-  
cept in the Northwest. There were  
local showers and thunderstorms in  
the upper Ohio valley, the middle south  
Atlantic, and Gulf States and the North-  
west. In the central valleys of the West  
and Southwest the weather was fair.

There will be little or no change from  
present conditions in the East and  
South during the next two days, and  
continued warm and generally fair  
weather may therefore be expected.

The winds along the coast of the Atlantic  
will be light and variable, on the  
south Atlantic coast light westerly,  
becoming variable, and on the east Gulf  
coast light and variable.

Steamers departing today for Euro-  
pean ports will have light variable winds  
with fair weather to the Grand Banks.

### TEMPERATURE.

Weather Bureau. Annapolis.  
9 a. m. .... 75  
12 noon ..... 85  
1 p. m. .... 85  
2 p. m. .... 85

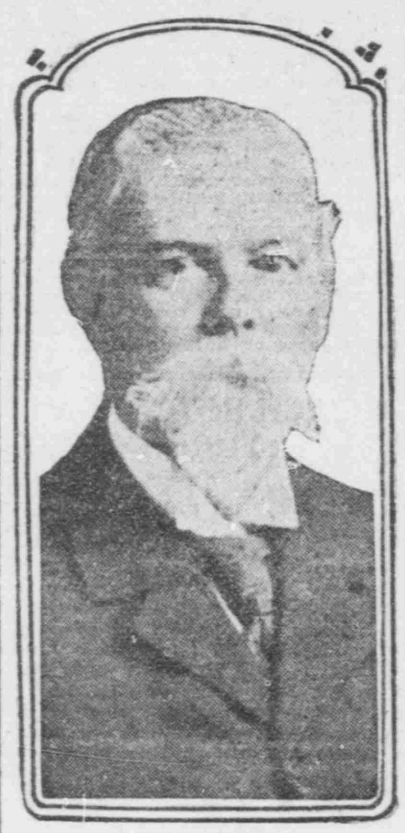
### SUN TABLE.

Sun rises. .... 4:33  
Sun sets. .... 7:29

### TIDE TABLE.

High water today. .... 3:00 p. m.  
Low water today. .... 9:35 p. m.  
High water tomorrow 3:30 a. m., 3:05 p. m.  
Low water tomorrow 10:20 a. m., 10:28 p. m.

## WORD OF PEACE TO ALLAY FEAR



SENOR ARANGO.

## Panama Minister Comes to Discount Alarming State- ments Made by Arango.

Within a few days Washington may  
feel the tremor of the political up-  
heaval which threatens to interrupt the  
peaceful work of the canal diggers of  
Panama.

Senor Mejia Salvadore, the new min-  
ister, will arrive, and Senor Arango,  
the present minister of Panama, will de-  
part. Behind the change lies a story.

It is evident that President Amador,  
who is striving to elect his candidate,  
Arias, does not like the result of Senor  
Arango's labors—the sending of United  
States marines to the Isthmus. While  
the Chicago convention was at its  
height, he lurked in the shadows of  
Secretary Taft's office, waiting to drop  
a word of alarm, and ask for another  
draft of marines or another warship  
or two.

Occasionally he remarked that if  
Obaldia were not elected there would  
be a revolution, which would upset  
things on the canal. President Amador  
kept the cables hot with messages of  
peace and serenity.

Therefore, the change Senor Salva-  
dore is on his way to Washington.  
When he arrives he is expected to sup-  
plement the messages of peace, and  
discourage the rumors of the quiet pre-  
paration days in Panama.

In the meantime, the canal authori-  
ties are watching for themselves.

## HEAT GOING SOME, AND MORE COMING

## District Will Sizzle Until Thursday, Says Weather Man.

Those who were vexed at the point  
of being vexatious today, because the  
mercury was reaching up for the high-  
est figure on the thermometer, have a  
lot more coming to them.

This heat is here to stay. It will be  
here until Thursday afternoon. From  
now until Thursday the asphalt will  
sizzle, the collars wilt, and the tem-  
pers will be tried to the utmost.

From the lips of the official forecaster  
this afternoon came the announcement  
that there will be no let-up in the heat  
until late Thursday. At that time a  
cool wave, which is now disporting it-  
self on the banks of the Mississippi  
river, will wander into the District of  
Columbia and save the lives of the  
natives.

Today the heat began operations  
early. At 9 o'clock the mercury had  
climbed to the 85 mark at Arfick's  
drug store. At 10 it was up to 88; 11  
o'clock, 90; noon, 90, and 1 p. m., 91.

Out at the Weather Bureau, where  
there are cooling breezes, the mercury  
registered as follows: 9 o'clock, 79;  
10, 80; 11, 82; 12, 85; 1 p. m., 85.

The only ray of comfort to be got out  
of the situation is that there may be a  
shower tomorrow afternoon.

Yesterday there were two heat pro-  
testations, one being William C. Johnson,  
sixty-eight years old, an inmate of the  
Soldiers' Home, and the other William  
Gorton, seventy years old, of the rear  
of 1425 D street northwest.

## NEW YORK SUFFERS ITS HOTTEST DAY

NEW YORK, June 22.—Hotter!  
That was the adjective reserved in  
the weather bureau to describe today.  
The mercury began to climb at 8  
o'clock this morning, when it was 54 de-  
grees. By 9 o'clock it was 79 degrees;  
an hour later it had jumped to 83 de-  
grees, with no indication of a halt, and  
at 11 o'clock it was steadily mounting.

The weather bureau temperatures  
were from three to five degrees lower  
than those registered by street ther-  
mometers.

## ROWERS' PRACTICE HALTED BY HEAT

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., June 22.—  
Terrible heat on the river here today in-

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## O'LOUGHLIN NAMED FOR JAPANESE JOB

Newspaper Correspondent  
Will Be Secretary of Ex-  
position Commission.

## TAFT INVITED TO SPEND WEEK

Few Appointments Will Be Made.  
No Foundation for Loeb Rumor  
About Chairmanship.

OYSTER BAY, June 22.—President  
Roosevelt announced today that John  
Calvin O'Loughlin, of Washington, had  
been appointed secretary of the Japan-  
ese Exposition Commission. O'Loughlin  
is a well-known newspaper correspon-  
dent and is acceptable to the Tokyo  
government.

The President fairly got down to his  
summer swing of work and play today.  
Secretary Loeb brought to Sagamore  
Hill a large sack full of executive cor-  
respondence and Government documents,  
and the President devoted about two  
hours to disposing of them. After that  
he went for a horseback ride on the  
Cove road with two of his children.

The President's mail is now burdened  
with many appealing letters from  
office-seekers, who are making frantic  
efforts to get a job before the President  
leaves the White House.

### Taft Invited for Week.

One of the first acts of Mr. Loeb was  
to send a telegram to Mr. Taft inviting  
him to come to Sagamore Hill and  
spend a week. There are many im-  
portant matters concerning the cam-  
paign which the President wants to dis-  
cuss with the nominee.

The fact that the President waited  
only a little over a day since coming  
here to send for Mr. Taft seemed to  
dispose of the theory that Mr. Roose-  
velt is to take little part in the coming  
campaign.

Indications are plenty that Oyster  
Bay will play an important part in the  
election. A significant move is the in-  
stalling of Secretary Loeb and his fam-  
ily at the Seawanhaka Yacht Club on  
Center Island.

Mr. Loeb last year took up quarters  
in the Townsend house, about a mile  
from Sagamore Hill, and he drove to  
and from the village several times a  
day. He was easily accessible to visi-  
tors, whatever their errand, at all times  
of the day and night.

All that has been changed this year,  
and it looks as if plans had been made  
to maintain a degree of privacy with  
regard to official duties.

### Many Ask for Jobs.

It may be said on behalf of the Presi-  
dent that he does not intend to make  
a large list of appointments just be-  
fore the administration finishes the  
work.

The rumor that Secretary Loeb may  
be chosen chairman of the Republican  
National Committee to manage the Taft  
campaign may be dismissed as ground-  
less. Had Mr. Loeb desired the place  
the announcement would have been  
officially made long before this. But he  
does not want the job for more reasons  
than one. If he took it the charge  
would at once be made that the Presi-  
dent was "dictating the campaign," and  
Mr. Taft's candidacy might suffer some  
injury as the result. The President in-  
tends to keep his hands off the political  
helm this summer.

## GOV. SWANSON TO SECOND BRYAN

Virginia Executive Accepts Invi-  
tation to Make Speech at  
Denver Convention.

RICHMOND, Va., June 22.—Governor  
Swanson, of this State, will make a  
speech seconding the nomination of Wil-  
liam Jennings Bryan for the Presidency  
in Denver.

He received an invitation today to make  
the speech and accepted immediately.  
The nominating speech will be made by  
the city attorney of Omaha, and there  
will be several recording speeches.

Governor Swanson, who is widely  
known as an orator served in Congress  
with Bryan when the latter was a mem-  
ber of the House, and the two men be-  
came warm friends at that time. There  
is political significance in the invitation  
to the governor when it is remembered  
that Virginia was widely reported to be  
a State which would be for Johnson, of  
Minnesota, for the nomination, instead  
of for Bryan.

## SPARE THE TREES, SAY NATURE LOVERS

Plan to Cut Down Grove in Judi-  
ciary Square Causes  
Protests.

Residents of the neighborhood of Judi-  
ciary Square are criticizing the pro-  
posed erection of the Court of Appeals  
building, which will necessitate the  
destruction of a grove of trees and de-  
stroy the appearance, it is said, of one  
of the most beautiful parks in the city.

The new building will be in the form  
of an annex to the west wing of the  
old courthouse building. The dimen-  
sions are 98 by 125 feet. The site select-  
ed is now occupied by five handsome  
trees, forming a part of a large grove  
on the west side of the park. Why this  
portion should have been selected when  
to the north and east of the court-  
house are acres of level ground is a  
question that is arousing comment  
among the lovers of nature.

Attorney General Bonaparte has ac-  
cepted and approved the plans, and  
construction will be begun as soon as  
the drawings are finished and the bids  
accepted.

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erything will receive the best of care.

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## WOMEN STUDENTS EXPULSED BY CZAR

More Than Two Thousand  
Affected—Came to Plead  
With Czar.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 22.—One of  
the most sweeping repressive measures  
ever attempted by the Czar was promul-  
gated today when M. Von Kaufmann,  
minister of public instruction, decreed  
that all women students be expelled  
from Russian universities and that none  
be admitted hereafter.

The new edict affects 2,300 women,  
many of whom are nearing their gradua-  
tion and hundreds of whom are making  
great sacrifices that they may obtain an  
education.

Hundreds of women students are ar-  
riving in the capital and are seeking  
audience with the Czar in the hope that  
he can be induced to change his de-  
cision. The aid of the duma is also  
being sought, but its power in the mat-  
ter can be nothing more than advisory.

Men students are sympathizing with  
the women, and if the new order is en-  
forced they will undoubtedly be a rep-  
etition of the students' riots that for so  
long have indicated the discontent and  
political unrest of the younger genera-  
tion of Russians.

## COL. J. HAM LEWIS FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Chicago Man's Boom Is Started at  
Georgia State Convention—Will  
Nominate Joseph M. Brown.

ATLANTA, Ga., June 22.—Twenty-five  
strong, the Chatham county delegation  
to the Democratic State convention ar-  
rived this morning with a well-devel-  
oped Vice Presidential boom up their  
sleeves. The man whom the Savannah  
delegation will spring on the Democratic  
party as Mr. Bryan's running mate is  
James Hamilton Lewis, of Illinois, a na-  
tive of Georgia.

It is the purpose of the Chatham de-  
legation to vote for a reconstructed dele-  
gation to Denver, either in the choice of a  
candidate for President or for Vice Presi-  
dent, but an effort will be made to  
boost Mr. Lewis' cause at Denver.

Judge H. G. Twigg, a member of the  
Savannah delegation, will place in nom-  
ination tomorrow the name of Joseph M.  
Brown for governor.

## SENATORS KILLED, REPORT OF WRECK

BATON ROUGE, La., June 22.—A  
wreck occurred on the Baton Rouge  
and Eastern road this morning.

State Representative Jones, of Liv-  
ingston, and several State senators are  
reported killed.

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## TAFT IN NEW YORK, SURE OF VICTORY

Laughs About Threatened  
Accident to Train From  
Cincinnati.

## FAVORS SHERMAN; GLAD HE'S MATE

Declines, With Smile, to Discuss  
Roosevelt Policies—Poses for  
Picture and Gives Autographs.

NEW YORK, June 22.—Happy and  
smiling, Secretary William H. Taft ar-  
rived in this city today over the Penn-  
sylvania railroad, after a narrow escape  
from being in what might have been a  
serious train wreck. At the station in  
Jersey City he met Mrs. Taft and their  
son Charles. They will go direct to New  
Haven for the Yale commencement ex-  
ercises and the reunion of the class of  
1878, of which Mr. Taft was a member.

After conference in Cincinnati, fol-  
lowing his nomination for the Presi-  
dency on the Republican ticket, Mr.  
Taft left his home to go to New Haven  
for the celebration. As his train was  
nearing Cohoes, Ohio, at a speed of  
fifty miles an hour, the piston rod on  
the left side of the locomotive broke off  
short. Instantly the cylinder was  
smashed, but before any further damage  
could be done the engine driver threw  
on the emergency brakes and brought  
the train to a stop.

After another engine had been se-  
cured the Secretary calmly went into  
the dined car, little thinking of the  
narrowly averted wreck. It was not  
until he heard the engine man say that  
the broken rod fallen a few inches  
further in, the train would have been  
ditched, that he even learned what was  
the trouble. Then he smiled and de-  
clared that nothing serious had hap-  
pened and he refused to worry about it.

### Is "Feeling Bully."

When seen at the station, Mr. Taft  
said:

"I'm feeling bully, and we're going to  
win. The platform is a good sound  
document, and with that back of us  
there should be no trouble."

"I expect the campaign will be very  
interesting, and we'll get to it now be-  
fore long. There will be plenty of time  
to present all the issues to the people."

Questioned concerning the Roosevelt  
policies, Mr. Taft refused to make any  
statement, nor would he say whether  
or not he would continue them should  
he become President. He also declined  
to discuss Mr. Bryan's attack on the  
platform, in which the latter arraigned  
the Republican convention for omitting  
important planks, and called the anti-  
injunction plank a "transparent fraud."

Mr. Taft does not know yet when he  
will be formally notified of his nomina-  
tion by the committee appointed by the  
convention, but he said that this cere-  
mony usually followed the opposition  
convention within ten days, and that  
the notification probably would come  
about July 17. No definite plans have  
as yet been made for it.

### He Likes Sherman.

Asked if he had made any arrange-  
ments for the conduct of the campaign,  
the candidate replied that at the present  
time all those matters were in the  
hands of his brother, Charles F. Taft,  
and that he knew little of what was  
contemplated.

Of James S. Sherman, nominee for  
Vice President, the Secretary had noth-  
ing but good to say.

"I have known Mr. Sherman for  
many years," he said. "He is a man  
of strong personality. I am glad to  
have him as an associate in the cam-  
paign. I was very, very favorable to  
his nomination."

Despite the fact he was plainly tired  
by his long trip, the Secretary was  
agreeable to scores of women who,  
on the ferry, besieged him for autographs,  
signing his name for many of them  
with a laugh. He posed for only one  
picture for the newspaper men, however,  
remarking as the shutters of the cam-  
eras clicked, "I guess that will be about  
all for today."

After finishing up the business of his  
department in Washington, Secretary  
Taft will return to Cincinnati.

## Grant's Son Is Pleased With Taft's Nomination

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 22.—"Taft  
and Sherman certainly are to my lik-  
ing," declared U. S. Grant, jr., of San  
Diego, yesterday, at the Van Nuys  
Hotel. The reference in Mr. Taft's  
speech, at the tomb of General Grant  
on Decoration Day, that the great gen-  
eral once had been addicted to drink,  
is not considered by Mr. Grant as mean-  
ing a reflection on the character of his  
father.

"My sister, Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartor-  
is, was present when Mr. Taft delivered  
his speech," said Mr. Grant, "and she  
told me in the most pleasant way that  
nothing whatever objectionable in any-  
thing that was said by the Secretary of  
War. On the contrary, we believe that  
Mr. Taft only intended to pay the high-  
est tribute to our father."

## Yale Wen Whoop It Up For "Big Bill Taft"

NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 22.—"Hel-  
lo, Bill!" is the way Old Eli will greet  
William H. Taft, Secretary of War, and  
candidate for the Presidency, when he  
reaches here today.

Since early morn hundreds of under-  
graduates have been parading the  
streets and greeting every picture of  
Taft with resounding yells of "Taft,  
Taft, Big Bill Taft."

And when that portly member of  
the "Boys of '78" arrives he will get  
a slam-bang welcome, hearty enough  
to almost convince him that the way  
is clear to the White House. There are  
to be no set parades or receptions for  
"Big Bill Taft." New Haven and  
the men of Yale will simply shake his  
hand and yell, yell, yell. And when he  
reaches his class headquarters, in Elm

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