

## DR. AUGUST GRETH SAILS OVER CITY IN AIRSHIP, STARTLING THOUSANDS OF CITIZENS, WHO GAZE IN WONDER AT SPECTACLE

### SHAW OUSTS A BROTHER OF GORMAN

#### Secretary of Treasury Angers a Senator.

#### Cause of Democratic Leader's Attack on President.

#### "Special Employee" Suddenly Dropped From Department Payroll.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 18.—Secretary Shaw has quietly dropped from the roll of employees of the Treasury Department the name of Cal Gorman, a brother of Senator Gorman. This action when it became known caused comment in view of the published criticism by Senator Gorman of President Roosevelt's alleged interference in Maryland political affairs. Some persons not acquainted with the facts jumped to the conclusion that the Senator's brother had been dismissed because of the attack on Mr. Roosevelt.

As a matter of fact, Gorman was ousted before the Senator made the attack, and there are some politicians who attribute what he said in a New York hotel to the dismissal of his brother.

Gorman's relations with the department were severed on Thursday, October 8. The order dismissing him came from Secretary Shaw in person. Gorman, it is said, has made no protest, and none is expected by the officials. It is further stated that no formal charges were filed against Gorman, but that the Secretary had become convinced that "his usefulness to the department has become impaired." No further explanation as to the incident is made.

Gorman was formerly on the rolls of the Baltimore custom-house, but more recently he has been designated as a "special employee." His duties were of a confidential character, such as the investigation of frauds. His salary was \$4 a day.

### MASKED AND ARMED MEN ROB AN OGDEN SALOON

#### Compel Patrons of the Place to Face the Wall While They Rifle Their Pockets.

OGDEN, Utah, Oct. 18.—One of the boldest hold-ups in the history of this city occurred shortly after 11 o'clock last night when three masked and armed men entered the Turf Exchange saloon, located in the very heart of the business district, and compelled the bartender and the dozen patrons of the place to line up with their faces to the wall. One of the robbers took \$100 from the cash register, another rifled the pockets of the victims, while the third stood guard.

M. D. Lessinger, a well known attorney, who was in the place at the time, insisted on turning his head from the wall. For this he was beaten on the head in a brutal manner, receiving severe wounds. After taking all the money in sight the robbers escaped. The exact amount obtained was not learned. At the time of the hold-up the street in front of the saloon was crowded with people.

### NEW REVENUE CUTTER IS SENT TO CLEVELAND

#### Will Take Part in Settlement of International Dispute Over Fishing on Lake Erie.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 18.—The Tuscarora, Milwaukee's new revenue cutter, will leave for Cleveland tomorrow to take part in the settlement of the international dispute which has arisen between the United States and Canada over the fishing in Lake Erie. Orders to proceed at once to that port and to report to the Collector of Customs there have been received by Captain Hall. The cutter will coal and then leave for Lake Erie.

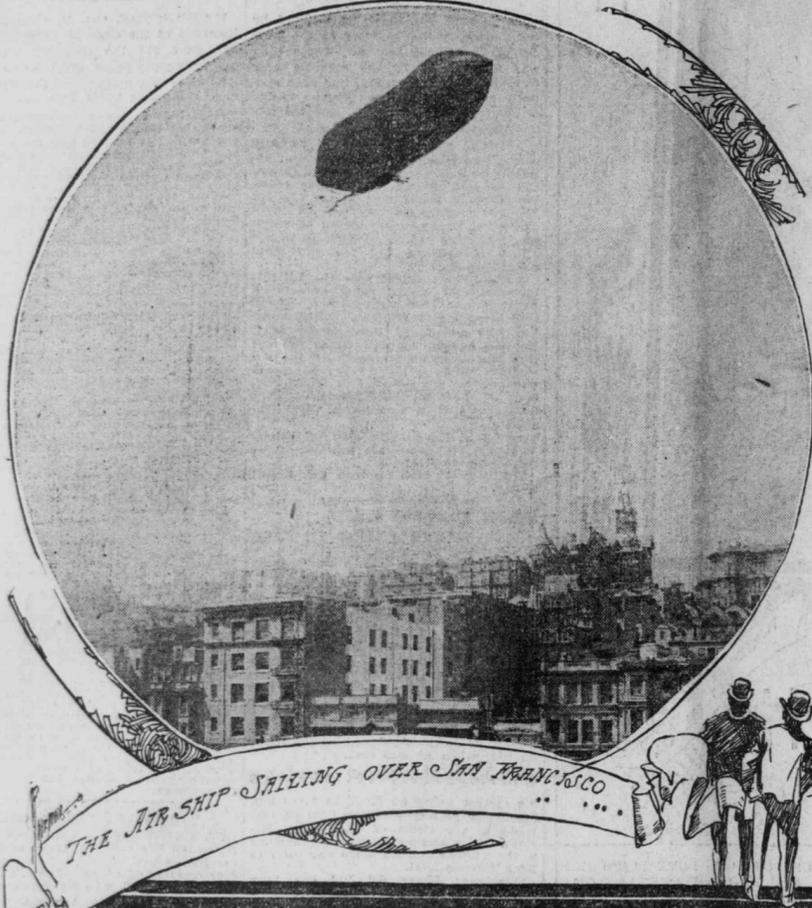
### CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 18.—Collector of Customs Leach said that when the Tuscarora came to this port it would aid in determining the boundary line at Ash-tabula and Erie, where American fishermen have been fired upon and their nets taken up. A careful survey will be made of the disputed points to avoid further disturbance of American fishermen along this portion of Lake Erie.

### FIERY GEYSERS SHOOT UP IN CRATER OF MAUNALOA

#### Party of Excursionists Reaches Summit of the Volcano After a Rather Difficult Trip.

HONOLULU, Oct. 18.—An exploring party of thirteen, the first to reach Maunaloa, the summit of the crater of Maunaloa, gives reliable details of the eruption. The party suffered severely from mountain sickness and cold. They found the inside of the crater very active. Out of the mass of molten lava fiery geysers were shooting up to the height of 200 feet or more, but there was no overflow.

An increase of heat in the Dewey crater lower down indicates the possibility of an outbreak there. Kilauea remains normal. Many excursionists are visiting Maunaloa.



AIRSHIP JUST BEFORE PREP ASCENSION AT 11:23 AM MARKET STREET'S

### STRANGE CRAFT AT ANCHOR WHICH STARTLED THE CITY IN ITS FLIGHT AND VIEW OF IT IN THE AIR.

### Ascension Is Made Without Notice and Navigator Seems to Have Complete Control of His Craft.

WITHOUT taking the public into his confidence through announcement of his intentions, Dr. August Greth climbed into his dirigible airship yesterday morning, cast loose all stays and anchors and sailed away into the blue vault of heaven. The residents of San Francisco who turned their eyes skyward on the beautiful Sabbath morning were startled to see an elliptical balloon, to which was attached a car, careening 2000 feet above their heads. Rushes were made for field and opera glasses and half the population of the city watched the amazing spectacle.

The airship took its flight from Market and Eleventh streets, across the western portion of the city, sometimes attaining a height of 2000 feet, and descending at intervals to a height of about 1000 feet. For nearly an hour it floated about, curving in the sunshine like a colt in a pasture, and then sank from sight behind the Presidio.

### PROMOTERS JUBILANT.

While the whole city was wondering a little group of men in the vacant lot at Market and Eleventh streets watched with beating hearts the ascent and journey of the craft, and when it was evident that it was going to be a success

DR. AUGUST GRETH, an amateur aeronaut of San Francisco, ascended in a dirigible balloon yesterday to a height of 2000 feet and sailed over the city, controlling his machine perfectly until his motor broke down. He was then compelled to let the gas escape from the balloon, and descended in the waters of the straits near Fort Point. A crew from the life-saving station rescued him and his airship. He claims that if equipped with a proper motor his craft will be subject entirely to his control at any altitude and can be driven in any desired direction at a high rate of speed.

### Motor Breaks Down and in Descending Balloon and Car Land in Bay.

were financially interested in the American Aerial Navigation Company, which owns the dirigible balloon. A lease for one year is held on the apparatus by Mr. Brubaker.

The balloon, elliptical in shape, was filled with gas and soon was swinging between the guy ropes. The envelope was not fully distended and sagged somewhat on top, as it was necessary to leave room for the expansion of the gas as higher altitudes were attained. Below the balloon and lashed to it by cordage swung two parallel iron bars, tapering to triangles at each end.

### POWER TO DRIVE SHIP.

Across these were strengthening bars

"I am going to lie down for a little while," he said as he alighted from the car, "and then I will make a free ascent and sail around The Call building."

The airship was secured with lines and the navigator sought repose in a room fitted up for him on the grounds. Within an hour he appeared again, much refreshed, and mounted the car again. This time no rope dangled from the airship. When the moorings were cast loose the bulky envelope rose rapidly in the air, dragging the car after it, and ascended to a height of 2000 feet.

### VOYAGER IS CHEERED.

A large crowd gathered outside of the grounds and cheered the plucky voyager, who stood leaning over the side of the car waving his hand to the people below him. The ascent was made at 10:50 o'clock. An American flag attached to the car floated lazily in the still air. At 2000 feet Dr. Greth started the motor, and the craft answered to the motions of its propellers by descending several hundred feet and turning in a semicircle, first to the north and then to the south. After maneuvering a little the navigator pointed the nose of the craft toward the northwest, set the propellers to steer ahead and the airship shot forward in the direction of the Presidio.

Across the city it made its way, the

### JOHN BULL IN ROLE OF MEDIATOR

#### Steps In Between the Czar and the Mikado.

#### Obtains Japan's Consent to Series of Proposals.

#### British Diplomat Now Negotiating With the Russian Government.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 18.—A newspaper published at Port Dalny is authority for the report that the British Minister to Japan, Sir Claude Macdonald, has undertaken to mediate between Russia and Japan, and, having obtained Japan's consent to certain proposals, is now negotiating with Russia. These proposals are that Russia shall restore Manchuria to China and that the principal Manchurian towns be opened to foreign trade; that Russia withdraw all her troops from Manchuria, with the exception of the railway guards; that she renounce her forestry concessions on both sides of the Yalu River, as well as the Yonampoh concession, and that the whole country south of the Yalu be admitted as belonging to the sphere of Japan.

A special commission, under the presidency of the Czar, has been formed to consider affairs in the Far East. It includes the Ministers of the Interior, Finance, Foreign Affairs, War and Navy and Viceroy Alexieff. Other members will be nominated by the Czar. The commission will consider budget proposals, measures to develop trade and industry and proposed alterations in the laws.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—Cabling from Tientsin the Chinese Governor of Shanshi province reports that General Tunge Fu Siang is attacking the Russians in Mongolia. The correspondent explains that this probably refers to some interference with Russian surveying parties on the Urga-Kalgan railway line.

PARIS, Oct. 18.—Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador to the United States, has been interviewed on the Far Eastern situation. The Ambassador said that the danger of a conflict, which was real a few days ago, seemed to have been averted, and that if ever a conflict came it would not be provoked by Russia. Continuing Count Cassini said:

"Our rights in Manchuria are undeniable. We made the country, which until quite recently was a mere haunt for bandits. We now have a vigilant police there and, moreover, we have built the railroad. This does not mean that we intend to annex Manchuria, but having incurred enormous expenditures and having immense interests there we insist that these be safeguarded, and we expect to realize our legitimate benefits. The powers understand this so well that none, except possibly Japan, seriously contemplated insisting that the evacuation be effected on October 8."

### NEBRASKA DETECTIVE CONVICTED OF MURDER

#### Must Suffer Imprisonment for Killing a Prisoner Who Resisted Arrest.

AINSWORTH, Neb., Oct. 18.—The jury in the Hans-Luse murder case, after being out seven hours, brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree. A motion was made for a new trial and was set for November 6 for argument.

David O. Luse was shot and killed April 9, 1901, by Fred M. Hans, a railroad detective, for resisting arrest on a warrant charging him with killing a horse belonging to a neighbor. The coroner's inquest was held the day of the shooting and the jury exonerated Hans.

In May, 1902, the Grand Jury found an indictment charging the defendant with murder. It was claimed on behalf of Hans, who is one of the best known officers of the Nebraska range country, that Luse was a desperado. Friends of Luse allege that his killing by the detective was unnecessary and not justified.

### MEXICAN GOVERNMENT TO MAKE INVESTIGATION

#### Will Look Into Affairs of the Defunct International Bank and Trust Company.

CITY OF MEXICO, Oct. 18.—The failure of the International Bank and Trust Company of America, which had its main institute in this city, has caused a big stir in the business and financial circles of Mexico. It is reported that the Mexican Government will conduct an official investigation of the affairs of the concern.

W. H. Hunt, president of the company, was a few years ago a clerk in a store at San Antonio, Tex., and he is a new acquisition to the financial world. The failure was not unexpected by the conservative banking element of Mexico, but it has caught many prominent American business concerns that had faith in the solidity of the institution. The failure will cause the native business and financial element of Mexico to look with more or less distrust upon American investments and enterprises in this country.