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PRICE FIVE CENTS

HOTEL ADAMS IS BURNED

NARROW ESCAPES NUMEROUS IN BIG FIRE

Loss of Quarter Million Dollars Half Covered by Insurance

WILL REBUILD WITH FINE NEW HOSTELRY

Entire Business Section Is Threatened in Most Destructive Blaze

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 17.—The complete destruction of the Hotel Adams by fire this morning and injury to a score of surrounding properties was the greatest physical disaster ever suffered by Phoenix, the damage being very material aside from the property loss, which is approximately fully \$250,000. Insurance perhaps will cover half the loss. The hotel was the largest and best in the city and was the central point and rendezvous in most matters political, commercial and social and was almost a public utility.

The almost entire absence of wind was the only thing that prevented a general conflagration in the business center, the heat driving the crowds back fully a block.

The building stood on the corner of Central avenue and Adams street and the property opposite and on the sides caught fire, but was saved by the heroic work of the fire department from a worse fate than burned fronts. Tenants moved out for a block in every direction and much loss by breakage will never be reported.

Postoffice Threatened
The postoffice, half a block north, and intervening property was saved by the hotel wall standing until the fire was extinguished. When it fell the wall crashed the nearby office of Greene & Griffin, real estate dealers. The standing wall at the other end of the building was blown down by dynamite and crushed the Utley building, which had been emptied of a vehicle and automobile stock. It is believed that there was no loss of life, but this is not definitely known.

The hotel register was not saved, all employees being engaged in rousing the guests, the fire originating not far from the office. Including the help, about one hundred and fifty persons were in the building. Of lists made from the memory of the management, seventy-one have been accounted for. Others are believed to be all right, but not located yet. It is believed that a report of a dead or dying invalid burning is not substantiated and a sick bell boy, reported lost, escaped and went to a hospital.

Heroic Rescue
Night Clerk Henry Willey, a youth about twenty years old, did fine work, assisted by a bellboy. They aroused everybody on the entire four floors, Willey then fighting his way to safety, with Mary, the nine-year-old daughter of Governor Sloan, in his arms. J. M. Jamison, a resident guest, dropped to the glass roof of the hotel lobby and caught in his arms a woman employee of the hotel dropping from an adjoining window, both escaping down the outside stairway from that point. There were scores of other narrow escapes and few were attired in more than night clothes, some saving their grips. Probably half the guests had a close call, as the elevator and stairway were both in the center of the building and near the fire, the elevator shaft section filling the house with smoke immediately, more suffocating and confusing than the fire. Nearly all came down ladders.

Will Build New Hotel
J. C. Adams, the owner, announces that he will build a new hotel, the building to cost \$140,000. With the fixtures and effects of the guests the total loss is estimated at over \$200,000. Some insurance was carried on the effects of the regular tenants. The insurance on the building was \$81,000, of which \$75,000 was divided between the Royal, Hartford, North British, Phenix of London, Fireman's fund, Springfield, Norwich Union and Caledonia.

A score of other places suffered losses of from \$50 to \$1,000, with no insurance. As the flames approached the postoffice, the cash, money order equipment, etc., were removed to a bank and the mail assembled for transfer. This was found not necessary, but had the building burned the office could have done a financial and stamp business an hour later on a new site.

It was learned tonight that six girls who escaped from the Hotel Adams fire and saved nothing and were sent to the Crittenden home, one was sent to her home in Los Angeles tonight, two others are ill in bed and one is badly bruised. No names are available. This is the only personal injury verified.

Spectator Drops Dead
Floyd V. Purvis, of Draper, S. D., suffering from tuberculosis, in the excitement following the fire dropped dead in the street, but was not a guest of the hotel and had no connection with the fire except through the shock of the excitement.

Unlimited praise is given to the fire department, which certainly saved the city from a general conflagration. The city council tonight created the office of city fire chief, appointing Pete Sullivan at \$1,500 per year. He has been serving as a policeman and acting as chief for a side salary of \$25 per month. During the fire Sullivan made a personal search of the deserted rooms for unconscious sleepers at great personal peril.

REGULARS RETURNED IN PRIMARIES

Balloting in Ohio Has Surprises for Progressive Followers

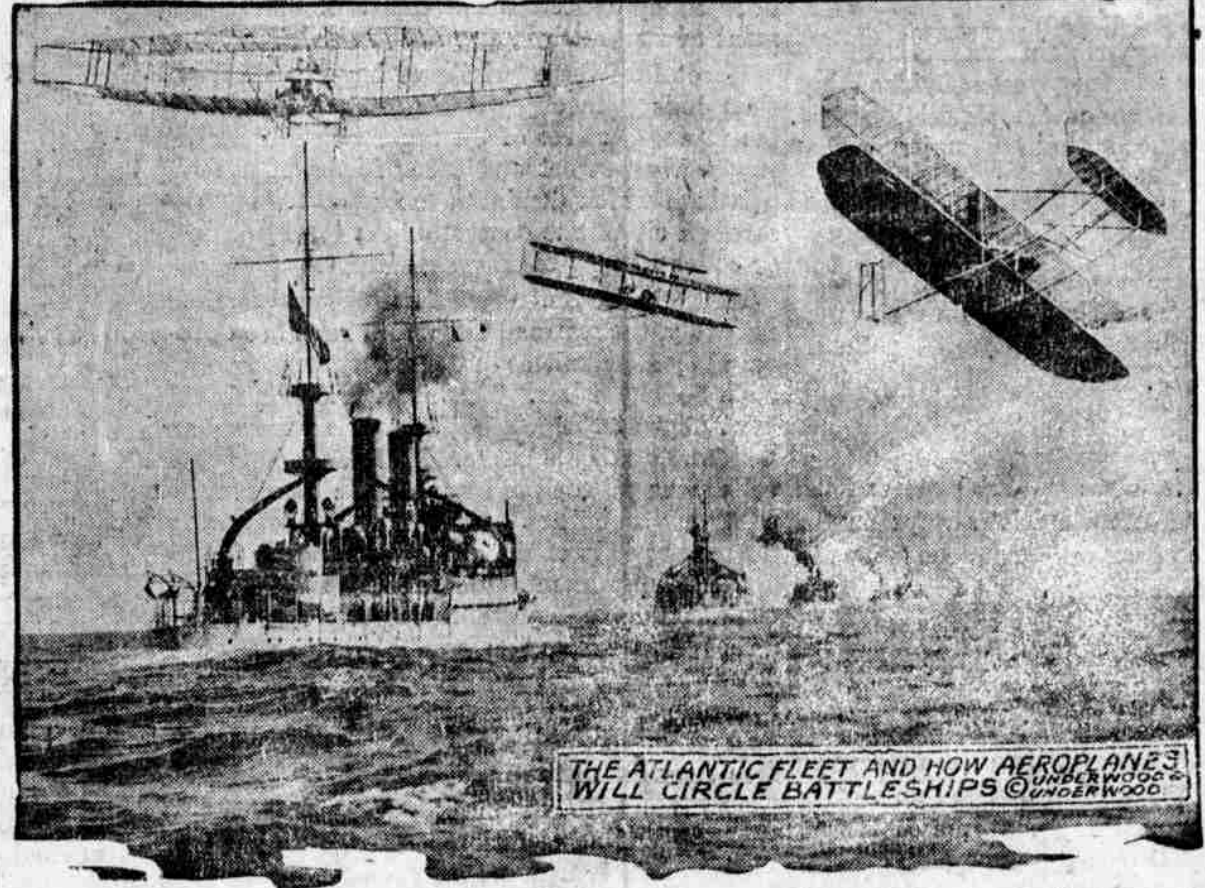
CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 17.—While today's preliminary election returns have been slow, the results so far indicated are that a majority of the republican "regulars" in congress have been renominated.

The democratic delegation was renominated in a body with the exception of Representative Touveille, of the fourth district, who was not a candidate.

A result of the election not wholly expected, was the endorsement of Senator Charles Dick for a return to the senate by about two-thirds of the republicans who participated in the primaries.

His name was the only one presented for endorsement, but a brisk fight was made against him. In Akron, Senator Dick's home city, a number of voters wrote in the name of James R. Garfield in the place of Senator Dick.

HOW AEROPLANES WILL APPEAR FLYING OVER ATLANTIC FLEET IN NAVY TESTS



WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—For over a month navy circles have been actively at work planning a second tour of the world for the American navy battleships and cruisers. President Taft is going to go Roosevelt one better and is planning to send a larger fleet with a number of spectacular incidents to impress the powers of the far east and Europe. Within the next thirty days secret drills will be held in which tests will be made in connection with aeroplanes. A score of war vessels will carry on the test off Newport. Armed with bags containing flour, the aeroplanes will circle over the warships in an effort to blow them up with a five-ounce bag of white flour. Just how the aeroplanes are to be hit has not been disclosed, but they are due to do some sensational flying if they escape the rapid fire guns of the ships. The men who will use the aeroplanes are in favor of being called "dead" by a jury rather than take the risk of having their machines hit even by paper wads. The tests are expected to be the most interesting and sensational held under the auspices of the navy for a long time. During the recent drills of the Atlantic fleet much attention was given to firing at small balloons that were turned loose from the different ships. The exact date for the tour of the combined fleet has not been settled, but it is expected at the navy building that the trip may start early in September, and the aeroplanes, still tests have been made while the nations of the world are not in favor of blowing up warships from aeroplanes, still tests have been made and will continue to be made until the matter is settled as to the practical end of airships in the game of war.

WOMAN STEALS HER OWN CHILD

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 17.—That Mrs. O'Rear, alias Julia Edwards, kidnaped her five-year-old daughter, Mildred O'Rear, from Phoenix, Ariz., where the child was in the charge of a probation officer, was admitted today by the woman, when arraigned in court on a charge of vagrancy.

A letter received by the chief of police from Phoenix authorities corroborates Mrs. O'Rear's statement. The local police are still trying to locate the girl's grandparents, who are said to be wealthy, but so far the effort has been unsuccessful. In the meanwhile little Mildred remains in charge of the San Diego probation officer until the Phoenix authorities send for her or her grandparents are found.

RAILROADER QUILTS SERVICE OF ESPEE

General Superintendent to Change His Field
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 17.—J. H. Young, for three years general superintendent of the Southern Pacific, resigned his position today. Word was received from Mr. Young by General Manager E. E. Calvin that he had severed his connection with the railroad. Mr. Young left here several days ago for the east. It is expected he will accept a position with either the Southern railway or the Guggenheim interests.

Taft Autographs Appear for Sale

First Time Since Inauguration His Signature Is Up at Auction
NEW YORK, May 17.—For the first time since he became president, an autograph of William H. Taft appears in an auction sale. At Merwin-Clayton's his name is included in a set of the presidents.

It seems strange that a man so long in public life as President Taft has been should not have been represented in a single one of the many autograph sales that have taken place since he entered the White House, but such is the fact, not even his signature having been offered at auction since he became chief magistrate of the country. Even now it is not a holograph letter of his that will be sold, but only a type-written note on one page, signed by him. It is dated "War Department, May 26, 1908," and is addressed to General James G. Wilson. The set will be sold as one lot.

PRINCESS LENA HAS HYDE MUST SPEND TIME IN JAIL

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 17.—If Dr. B. Clark Hyde's attorneys carry on his case to the supreme court, the physician will not have to go to state's prison pending action by the higher tribunal. He must remain in jail here, however.

This announcement was made by Judge Latshaw late today. Earlier he had said the statute provided that an appeal did not act as a supersedeas, but upon further investigation found he was in error. Attorneys for the convicted man said tonight it was possible a motion for a new trial would be made before Judge Latshaw tomorrow.

MULE STOPS LINER

Ship Loses Fifty Minutes on Account of Animal's Stubbornness
NEW YORK, May 17.—The Royal Mail steamship Atrato was detained fifty minutes because a female mule refused to go aboard. It was a handsome animal, judged from mule standards, but it had more brain than brain. When it was found that she would not be led aboard she was forced into a large crate, but kicked it to pieces just as the tackle began to haul it shipward. Captain Charet then took the matter in his own hands. "This is a mail steamer," he said, "and we can't hold her until a fool mule makes up her mind to sail. Wrap a few lines around that mule's bow and stern and make it fast to the winch." This was done, and when the throttle of the winch was opened the mule went aboard in a hurry.

Will Try to Ensnare Dust from Tail of Halley's Comet

Geologists Set Unique Trap at Observatory on Summit of Wilson
PASADENA, Cal., May 17.—The character of the solids and fine dust which Halley's comet is supposed to be carrying, is interesting to members of the United States geological survey, who will have a representative at the Carnegie observatory on Mount Wilson tomorrow to trap some of the particles as the earth passes through the comet's tail. A high tower has been erected at the observatory, with a plate coated with glycerine surrounding it, to catch any dust the comet tail may contain. But Dr. George E. Hale, director of the observatory, has little hope of the success of the scheme. Dr. Hale issued a statement today in which he said that the earth would enter the comet's tail about 4 o'clock and emerge about midnight. "But in my opinion," he said, "the passage of the earth through the tail is not likely to be signalized by any conspicuous phenomenon." *****

LAWLER PASSES THE LINE

CALLS ATTORNEY TO TASK FOR QUERIES

Dramatic Incident Marks Investigation of Ballinger Yesterday

KERBY ON STAND TELLS OF LETTER

Brandeis Accused of Trying to Drag President Into Ballinger Mess

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—A day filled with interesting episodes reached an exciting climax in the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation late today, when Assistant Attorney General Oscar Lawler, author of the famous Lawler memorandum, arose wrathfully from the witness stand and accused Attorney Brandeis of uttering a deliberate untruth. Then, after he had been rebuked by several members of the committee, Mr. Lawler withdrew his remarks and apologized to the committee. Mr. Lawler was called to the stand by the "defense" to explain the circumstances under which he had prepared for the president a memorandum containing his opinion on the charges filed by Special Agent Glavis against Secretary Ballinger. Several hours had been consumed in the examination of Frederick M. Kerby, the stenographer in Mr. Ballinger's office, who was discharged yesterday because he made public information relating to the Lawler memorandum. Kerby on Stand Mr. Kerby was called unexpectedly by Chairman Nelson that he might give sworn testimony about his testimony which Mr. Brandeis had endeavored to have printed in the record with the president's letter of last Saturday. Directly contradicting Secretary Ballinger's testimony, Kerby said his former superior knew about the preparation of the memorandum and participated in a conference on the subject. Furthermore, he said, Lawler had told Private Secretary Carr in his presence that he had left a copy of the memorandum with Mr. Ballinger. Under cross examination by Mr. Brandeis, Lawler was reminded of various requests for the document and information bearing on it, which the attorney had sent to Secretary Ballinger through the committee. Mr. Lawler had informed the secretary in each instance that he had supplied all the matter bearing on the Glavis charges "in his possession."

THE LIFE IS PASSED

"Did not you know you were evading?" "That statement is an absolute falsehood by you, sir," shouted the witness, jumping from his seat and facing his inquisitor with flashing eyes. Mr. Brandeis instantly appealed to the committee to reprimand the witness. "If my remarks have been offensive, I withdraw them and apologize to the committee," said Mr. Lawler. Mr. Brandeis was plagued and resumed his cross examination. Mr. Lawler said he had been asked by the president to prepare an opinion, and that he regarded it as a confidential trust. He said he had furnished to the committee all the information he had felt at liberty to divulge and did not think he had any right to inform the committee that such a memorandum existed. Immediately after his return to Washington from Beverly last September, Mr. Lawler said he had begun preparation for his memorandum. The original draft, he said, was completed without consulting anybody. Read It to Ballinger When the draft had been typewritten by Kerby and Massey, he added, he called in Ballinger and others to hear it read. "I wanted to be absolutely correct in every statement," explained Mr. Lawler. Lawler said he had burned the original draft of the memorandum. "I was confident," he said, "that 'gunshoe' men had been on my trail for months and I knew there were no depths of degradation to which they would not stoop. I was afraid someone

in the office might be corrupted, as Kerby has been corrupted." "Asked who he thought were behind the 'gunshoe' men, Mr. Lawler declared dramatically: "James R. Garfield, Gifford Pinchot, William Haggood, a man named Connelly and that man there."

"You mean Mr. Brandeis?" "Brandeis the Flower" "Yes, he came in later. He's the flower of that foul flock."

This reference to the champions of conservation caused an uproar among the spectators, most of whom were women, and there was some hissing.

The witness said he gave two copies of his memorandum to the president's secretary and one to the attorney general, and had not given one to Secretary Ballinger.

He produced the original, which he said he had obtained from the White House Saturday morning.

Confidential letters which passed between Secretary Ballinger and R. P. Thomson, city engineer of Seattle, last spring and summer were read by Stenographer Kerby to bear out his contention that Thomson was not a fit man to be director of the reclamation service.

The committee declined Mr. Brandeis' request to have made a part of the record the statement issued from the White House last Sunday denying that there was any foundation for the Kerby statement. Senator Root charged that Mr. Brandeis' whole line of inquiry was a covert attempt to drag the president into the investigation, to which Mr. Brandeis replied it was material to the investigation, as tending to show that the president's letter exonerating Ballinger was prepared in such haste that it was "Not judicial in its nature but was extremely partisan."

TRAGEDY ENDS FEUD

Crowd at Centennial Scatterers as Duellists Fill Air With Bullets
SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., May 17.—Bert Mae, a Santa Fe special officer, and David Allison fought out an old feud tonight in the midst of the Centennial throng. Bullets flew among the crowd and Allison fell dead with four bullet holes through the body. No one else was hurt, although the shooting caused a panic.

The feud between the two men was of two years standing, dating from the time that Mae, then a city policeman, served a warrant on Allison. The latter is said to have declared his intention of killing Mae, but the two never met until tonight.

CALIFORNIA PAPER SOLD TO EASTERNER

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., May 17.—The Independent, for ten years owned by T. M. Storke, has been sold to Fred W. Sherman, recent publisher of the Times at Port Huron, Mich. Ill health is given as the cause of Storke disposing of his interest.

Senator Asks Boxer to Do Stunt for Committee

Battling Nelson Complains of General Ignorance of Lawmakers
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—Battling Nelson appeared before the house committee in opposition to the bill to prevent moving pictures of prize fights and news of prize fights by wire. The committee displayed keen interest in Nelson. "If you are going after boxing contests and the pictures taken of them, why not make a good clean sweep and do away with racing news, stock tickers, and accounts of football games?" continued Nelson. "I've never seen a boxing contest," said Mr. Sims. "Why not give us a little exhibition here in this room?" "That's just the trouble with these people who are trying to end boxing," quickly interrupted Nelson. "Most of them have never seen a contest and they don't know what they are talking about. Let me tell you something, maybe you don't know, but Theodore Roosevelt never missed a go when he was in New York."

The pugilist was just starting to rouse the amount of money tied up in the fighting business when a call of the house broke up the committee meeting. Nelson said they rang the gong too soon on him, as he had not finished.

FIGHT OF HEAVYWEIGHTS MAY BE HELD IN FRISCO

Alameda Authorities Force Promoters to Look for New Quarters
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 17.—Learning more of the attitude of the officials of Alameda county regarding the Jeffries-Johnson fight and practically abandoning the intention to hold the contest in Emeryville, July 4, as scheduled, Tex Rickard, one of the promoters of the affair, had a conference with John L. Herget, chairman of the police commission of the local board of supervisors, and Jack Griffin, the prize fight promoter who holds the July permit for a contest in this city, the result of which has been the opening of

negotiations to hold the fight here instead of across the bay. It is said by prominent sporting men tonight that the promoters tentatively have agreed to accept Griffin's bargain, upon the assurance that the city and county ordinance now in effect, which limits ring contests to twenty rounds, will be repealed and a substitute passed under the terms of which fighters will be permitted to battle forty-five rounds. This is the only point that seems to stand in the way of the fight coming to San Francisco, and Supervisor Herget has expressed himself as agreeable to a plan for the extension of the round limit on fights here. Richmond, in Contra Costa county, where the Nelson-Wolgate fight took place, is of course, being considered but the principals in the affair favor San Francisco.