

WOMEN SAVE ELK CITY LIGHTNING KILLS THREE

LIST OF DEAD STILL GROWING

Burned District in Montana and Idaho, From Missoula to St. Joe's Headwaters, Far in Other Directions.

THREE HUNDRED FIGHTERS HAVE PROBABLY PERISHED

Half Force of 600 Men Unaccounted For—Eight Lives Lost at Wallace, Property Damaged a Million Dollars.

Three Hundred Unaccounted For. Spokane, Aug. 23.—Three hundred fire fighters of the total force of 600 which has been battling the flames in the burning white pine forest of northern Idaho are unaccounted for. Government Forest Supervisor Weigle at Wallace declares he believes that nearly all have perished.

HELENA, Aug. 23.—A Northern Pacific train has reached Helena from the west, the first in three days, the passengers reporting thrilling experiences. The fire situation in that vicinity is unimproved. Two new fires are reported.

Help Wanted in California. Washington, Aug. 23.—Three companies of troops to fight forest fires in the Tahoe national forest in California have been asked for through the forest service. The war department has issued orders to dispatch the troops from San Francisco.

Spokane, Aug. 23.—The heroism of women has saved Elk City from the rage of the forest fire. While the male population were fighting the advance of the conflagration they have guarded the homes and business houses, extinguishing incipient blazes started by brands from the burning forests. Many stayed on the roofs of buildings all Saturday night.

The town is out of danger but conditions in the surrounding regions are growing worse. The entire Iron mountain is again ablaze. The American river district is a mass of flames. The fire in Clearwater reserve is beyond control. The fire on Old Man creek and the one on Salway have united and no further effort will be made to control them.

First Stage of Panic Passed. The fire have swept past Wallace, Idaho. Towns of the Couer D'Alene district have passed the first stage of wild, unreasoning panic. The death list is growing. With report of the Bullion Mine tragedy, a number of new deaths have been recorded. In Wallace the people have largely recovered from the shock of the narrow escape of Saturday. Hardly a bridge in the country round Wallace is left, and the railway lines are badly crippled. The burned district, generally speaking, extends east to Missoula, Mont., north to the headwaters of the St. Joe and in other directions nobody knows how far. The losses at Wallace are still estimated at a million dollars with \$35,000 insurance. Eighty lives were lost.

Offers of assistance have been received from many sources, but none has been accepted. Fires are reported all around Murry, but the town is still untouched.

FIVE AMERICANS ARE HELD FOR PLUNDERING ON THE SEA

Were Jailed at Horta, and Turned Over to a Vessel of the Practice Cruise Squadron.

Washington, Aug. 23.—Five Americans are being held aboard the battleship Coma of the practice squadron returning from a cruise abroad with the midshipmen, on a charge of plundering a vessel on the high seas. They are members of the crew of the American whaling schooner Pedro Verala of New Bedford.

The men were placed in jail at Horta, Fayal, at the request of the American consular agent, and will be turned over to the United States authorities on arrival at Annapolis August 28.

AN AUTOMOBILE TOWN.

Flint, Mich., Has Outgrown Any Place So Far Reported by the Thirtieth Census.

Washington, Aug. 23.—The greatest increase yet shown by the thirtieth census is that of Flint, Mich., which has grown from 13,193 in 1900, to 23,550 in 1910, an increase of 194.2 per cent, because of the development of the automobile industry.

Attel Easily Defeats Merino. Calgary, Alberta, Aug. 23.—Abel Attel, the featherweight champion, easily defeated Eddie Merino last night, the latter's seconds throwing up the sponge in the third round.

Corey's Actress Wife Is To Return to Stage



MRS. WILLIAM E. COREY.

Mrs. William E. Corey (Mabelle Gilman), wife of the president of the United States Steel corporation, who announces her reappearance in opera. The appearance is said to be planned to take place in London. Lewis Waller, one of the London singers, reports that he has been negotiating to support the singer as "Katherine" with himself as "Petruchio." The production is looked for in 1911.

He Spent \$4 Per Vote And Is Under Arrest

Joseph C. Sibley, Who Withdrew as Candidate in 28th Pennsylvania Last Night, Is Charged With Conspiracy to Debauch Voters, Along With Three Others.

Franklin, Pa., Aug. 23.—Joseph C. Sibley, who withdrew as a candidate for congress in the twenty-eighth Pennsylvania district last night, was arrested a few hours later on a warrant charging "conspiracy to debauch voters." He was released on his own recognizance for a hearing at Warren on August 26.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SELECTED

It is Composed of Guy Roberts, R. M. Wells and W. W. Zachary—"Bob" Reynolds Making Votes.

Guy Roberts of Marshall and R. M. Wells of Asheville, the two members of the Fifteenth Judicial executive committee selected at the recent democratic judicial convention held in this city with whom was left the selection of a member from Transylvania county have selected W. W. Zachary of that county. The committee has gotten down to work and are making a vigorous campaign for the election of a democratic selector from this district.

In Robert R. Reynolds the committee believes they have a candidate who will carry the district, composed of Madison, Transylvania and Buncombe counties, for the democrats.

ISAAC D. ENGLISH

One of the Oldest and Best Known Citizens of Mitchell County Passes to Rest.

News reached here today of the death at Spruce Pine Sunday of Isaac D. English, one of the oldest and best known men of Mitchell county. He was a prominent business man and successfully operated several mica mines in past years. He had a number of relatives in this section and in Transylvania county.

During the war between the states, Mr. English, so his friends say, sheltered and cared for Col. Greer of Syracuse, who made his escape from prison at Salisbury. After the war was over and Col. Greer, remembering the kindness to him of Mr. English, returned to Spruce Pine and showed his appreciation to Mr. English and his family by performing many acts of kindness.

Three Are Killed. Hagerstown, Md., Aug. 23.—Three men were killed and six injured in a head-on freight collision on the western Maryland at Edgemont last night.

PLAN FOR HOTEL IS SHAPING UP

Mr. Grove, Mr. Hardwick, Mr. Cary and Others Inspect Sites—Statement by Mr. Grove.

HE IS WILLING TO JOIN WITH OTHERS IN PROJECT

A First Class and Modern Hotel, in Keeping with Asheville's Importance, Under Consideration.

ASHEVILLE citizens will be rejoiced to know that the proposal to build here a finely equipped, modern hotel, has assumed a definite concrete form. Mr. Grove made the statement today that he stood ready, conditions being favorable, to provide the site and interest himself, financially, in a hotel that would serve every purpose of a resort of Asheville's size and popularity.

Passenger Traffic Manager S. H. Hardwick and General Passenger Agent H. F. Carey, and other railway officials, hearing of Mr. Grove's interest, postponed their departure from Asheville to discuss the subject with him, and these visiting gentlemen, together with Messrs. Grove, Randolph and others, made the trip to Sunset this afternoon.

The party made the trip in carriages and spent some time in looking over any number of very beautiful, available sites to be found in the E. W. Grove property of several hundred acres.

STORE WAS BROKEN INTO AND ROBBED OF SMALL SUM

Entrance to A. A. Featherston's Place Was Effected by Pulling a Staple, Last Night.

Thieves entered the grocery store of A. A. Featherston last night or early this morning and forcing the cash drawer, took therefrom a few dollars, mostly in pennies.

Mr. Featherston was notified by telephone that his store door was opened and when he came and investigated found that the Yale lock on the front door had been tampered with and an entrance effected by the pulling of a staple. An examination of the premises indicated that few if any goods had been taken and although the cash drawer had been broken open the harvest was not large, at most not over three or four dollars.

There is no clue to the identity of the thieves except that a barber sleeping nearby heard a noise in the night and looking out of his window saw some strange men looking in at the window of the store. It is supposed that these men might have been connected with the robbery.

UP-TO-DATE NAMES CHOSEN FOR STREETS

Weaver's Discarding Nomenclature That Means Nothing, in Its Fine March of Progress.

Correspondence of The Gazette-News. Weaverville, Aug. 23.—Weaverville is not behind in the general interest in good roads and our streets are reflecting this interest in more ways than one, the chief of which is the selection of metropolitan names in place of the antiquated ones hitherto in use.

For example, "Young an avenue" has been changed to Church street. This never was an avenue and most of the young men have grown up and few of them have been replaced. "Monkey avenue" has been dignified to College street. There have been no monkeys on this street for years.

"Bachelor row" is now Central avenue, the number of bachelor residents becoming so few that the personal element was too pronounced, and there was always the chance that this element might be entirely removed. The old names, while highly significant and suitable at one time, have outlived their usefulness and must give way to the march of progress.

Elbert Merrill has built a nice cottage on Central avenue.



THE HARPOON, WINNER OF SERIES AND CUP IN THE INTERNATIONAL SONDERBOAT RACES AT MARBLEHEAD, MASS.

Madriz, Defeated, Quietly Got Away

Downfall of His Government Was Without Disorder—He Departed Aboard Gunboat Momotombo and Went Presumably to Western Extremity of Lake Managua.

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, Aug. 23.—The downfall of the Madriz government, after the decisive defeats administered by Estrada's forces last week, was accomplished without disorder. Madriz left the city quietly Sunday night aboard the gunboat Momotombo, on which it is presumed he went to the western extremity of Lake Managua, where he could take train for Corinto. The land trip presented greater danger from the Estrada sympathizers.

Reports from Corinto tell of the departure from there of Madriz and his generals for Amalpa, Honduras, aboard the Pacific mail steamer San Jose. The administration in the capital is still in the hands of Jose Dolores Estrada, brother of the insurgent leader. The provisional governor has announced his intention of holding the reins of government until his brother arrives with victorious forces.

ABNER, FEUDIST, SHOT AND KILLED

Had Been Accused of Having Been Employed by Hagniss to Kill Dr. Cox.

Jackson, Ky., Aug. 23.—John Abner, a noted feudist, was shot and killed by unknown parties here last night. Abner had been accused of being one of the men employed by Judge Hargis and others to assassinate Dr. B. D. Cox, James Cockrell and James B. Marcum, during the feud fights eight years ago, but on each trial the jury disagreed and the charges were not pressed.

MASKED HIGHWAYMEN HOLD UP TROLLEY CARS

Get Watches and Cash From One, Conductor of Another Fights Them Off With Brake Iron.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 23.—Two masked highwaymen held up two trolley cars last night, firing revolvers and terrorizing the women passengers. They relieved the employes and a lone male passenger of one car of watches and \$19 cash.

The conductor of another car containing women attacked the bandits with a brake iron and put them to flight. The men have not been captured.

The Bedford Pounding on the Rocks. Tokio, Aug. 23.—The hull of the British cruiser Bedford, which ran on Samarang rocks Sunday, is still hanging on the jagged rocks, pounding heavily in the high seas. No attempts have been made yet to save the vessel.

A \$100,000 Fire in San Antonio. San Antonio, Aug. 23.—Fire originating in the warehouse in west Antonio today destroyed a block and a half of warehouses. The loss is \$100,000.

STEEPLESTRUCK BY FATAL BOLT

Three Prominent Citizens of Madison Are Instantly Killed and Several Others Seriously Hurt.

25 PEOPLE IN CHURCH AND ALL FELT THE SHOCK

After Services at Baldwin's Chapel Sunday Worshippers Had Remained in the Building For Shelter.

Special to The Gazette-News. HOT SPRINGS, Aug. 23.—During an electric storm about noon Sunday, on the Meadow Fork of Spring creek, Madison county, about 14 miles from Hot Springs, three men were instantly killed and several others seriously injured by a stroke of lightning which, striking the steeple of Baldwin's chapel, badly shattered the church building and threw the other occupants into a panic. The dead are:

JAY BALDWIN, 50 years of age. HOMER YATES, 22 years of age. JOE COGDILL, 18 years of age.

Those seriously injured are Thomas Baldwin, R. L. Askew and Houston Ramey. Ramey was perhaps the most seriously injured of the three and may not recover.

Following services at the Methodist chapel about 25 people remained in the church to shelter from the approaching thunder and rain storm. Some of them were standing in the door watching the approaching storm when the fatal bolt, striking the steeple of Baldwin's chapel, instantaneously brought death to the three men and shocked all the others in the church. All three of the dead men are prominent in the Spring creek section, Baldwin and Yates being married, and each is survived by a widow and a family.

The tragic death of these persons has cast a gloom over the entire community. The body of Joe Cogdill was interred yesterday, while the funeral of Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Yates was held today. While all of the bodies were badly burned by the lightning, that of Yates was charred to the greatest extent.

HE WILL ATTEND THE CONVENTION

Col. Roosevelt, Before Leaving Today, Virtually Said He Would Make a Fight Against Old Guard.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 23.—Colonel Roosevelt left today on the first of three long trips he will take within six months. The trip will cover 5493 miles through fourteen states. His first speech will be delivered this evening before the Herkimer county grange on farm topics. Then he will remain at the home of Douglas Robinson until Wednesday night, when he departs for the west. On Thursday he passes through Buffalo and Chicago; Friday through Omaha. He will reach Cheyenne Saturday for a stay over Sunday.

Mr. Roosevelt remarked as he edged his way through the crowd at the station that it seemed like old campaign days. His wife, Quentin and the Longworths went to the station with him. Griscom and Loeb joined him in the car and after the conference a statement was issued. The declaration was taken to mean that the former will go to the convention and a wage fight against the "old guard" for a platform and candidates he thinks most desirable.

Col. Roosevelt branded as false the story, printed recently that he had sent Griscom to Beverly recently with an ultimatum to President Taft.

The first stop of the Roosevelt train will be at Utica, where it is due at 3:33 p. m.

DEMOCRATS NAME GARDNER AND FISHER IN 33D. DIST.

Special to The Gazette-News. Rutherfordton, Aug. 23.—The democrats of the Thirty-third senatorial district in convention here yesterday nominated Capt. Max Gardner of Cleveland and J. P. Fisher as candidates to oppose the republican nominees. The thirty-third district is composed of the counties of Rutherford, Cleveland, Henderson and Polk.

Continues to Improve. New York, Aug. 23.—Mayor Gaynor continues to improve and none of the physicians remained with him last night.