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## DEAD GREMATED IN FIRE FOLLOWING HEAD ON COLLISION

Fast Passenger Train Strikes Freight

SEVERAL FROM MURPHY SLIGHTLY INJURED

That Consumed Baggage And Mall Car

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 15 .-Eight trainmen killed and fifteen passengers injured, two fatally perhaps, is the result of a collision between a passenger and a freight train this morning on the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad at Pegram station, twenty miles west of In the fire that followed at least two of the mangled bodies were | South. completely consumed.

The dead are, Will Morgan, traveling engineer: Joe Gower, engineer on passenger train; Jess Tarkington, engineer on freight; Walter Roach, messenger; Sam Whited, fireman on freight; S. B. Welp, brakeman, all of Nashville; W. S. Stalcup, mail clerk; L. C. Bailey, mail clerk, Martin, Tenn.

Seriously injured are: Bob Hailey fireman. Nashville, rwo ribs broken and left side injured; Ellis Martin, conductor on freight, Nashville, injured in head and internally, (may

Carolinians Hurt.

Slightly injured: Captain T. Jobe, Burton, N. C.; William Lunsford, Peachtree, N. C.; W. L. Thomasson Peachtree, N. C.; W. Boyd, Almond, N. C.; Mrs. L. M. Lee, Tulla-homa, Tenn.; Mrs. Temple Lunsford, Murphy, N. C.; Mrs. A. C. Thomasson, Murphy, N. C.; May Thomasson, Murphy, N. C., Mrs. Mary J. Jackson, McLean Branch, Tenn.; Mrs. Joseph S. Lively, McMinnville, Tenn; Mrs. John Dunn, Cumberland Furnace, Tenn.; Mr. John Duun, Cumberland Furnace, Tenn.

clock and was between passenger reight No. 51 enroute to Nashville, he wreckage caught fire. The bagage, mail, express and smoking cars of the passenger train and several of the freight cars were burned. But acterized by many exchanges of graceone bag of mail was saved. Through | mil and earnest compliments. Today

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## PRESIDENT TAFT BEGINS JOURNEY AROUND COUNTRY

rout And Compel Him to Make Speeches

STARTS ON TOUR ON HIS 52nd. BIRTHDAY

National Bankers Convention in Chicago '

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 15,-After traversing today the two great states of Massachusetts and New York, President Taft tonight is skirting the southern shores of Lake Erie on his way to Chicago, where he will arrive at 11.30 a. m., tomorrow to make his first important stop on a Phirteen thousand mile tour of the West and

on its run from Boston there were large crowds at the railway stations enthusiastic cheering. The day was typical of many that are to come, and make a number of five minute speeches from the rear platform of his car it points not included in the itiner ary, In Massachusetts, Mr. Taft spoke at Worcester, Springfield and Pittsfield and entering New York state he was greeted at Albany by-Governor Chas. E Hughes, and both made little talks to the deput throng, which cheered the state and federal executives with equal enthuslasm.

Pleased With Trip.

President Taft was in rare good umor today. He seemed thoroughly happy that the journey toward which he has been looking for several months had at last begun. He thanked those who came to greet him in the different cities, and said he believed that the long and arduous trip would bring him into closer touch with the people than any other plan which could be devised. Mr. Taft The collision occurred about eight said that the more ha could see of the country and the people during his rain No. 4, west-bound, and fast term of office, the better president he

would make. Mr. Taft and Governor Hughes are pronounced admirers of each other. and their meetings always are char

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## PEARY LET BRITON \* BEHIND AND TOOK AFRICAN TO POLE

Eight Lives Snuffed Out as Crowds Throng Stations En- His Negro Servant Tells of His Part In Holsting Stars And Stripes

> CHIEF WON'T DISCUSS TAKING PROVISIONS

Pullmans Saved From Flames Will Make Address Before The Was Careful to Natl Fratern-Ity Flag Upon The Pole Along With Others

> BATTLE HARBOR. Labrador. Sept. 15. (By wireless telegraph via 'ape Ray, N. F., Sept. 15.)—"We hoisted the Stars and Stripes twice at the North pole," said Matthew Henson, Commander Robt. E. Peary's colored lieutement and the only other civilized man, according to tonight gave The Associated Press an account of the one night and two days he and Commander Peary and four Eskimos camped at ninety degree north latitude. Henson personally as sisted in raising the American flag and for the polar title. he led the Eskimos in the cheers, and an extra cheer for Old Glory in the Eskimo tongue.

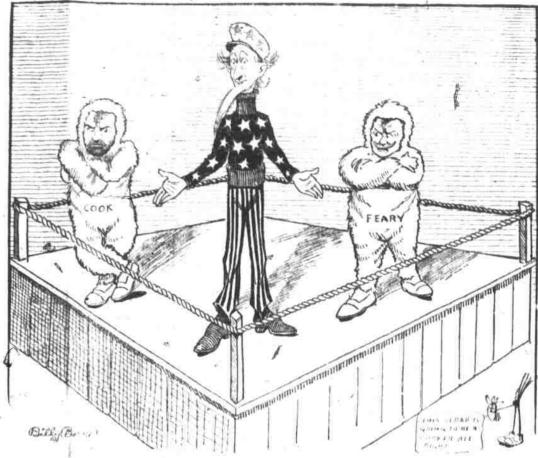
"Having spent eighteen years with Commander Peary, and a considerable portion of that time in the Arctics." said Henson. "I have acquired knowledge of the highert of the north ern Greenland Eskimos, who probably are superior to any other. As is commonly known to travelers in the far north, the Eskimo entertains a strange prejudice toward any tongubut one, and it is therefore necessary for successful dealing with them to study their unwritten language.

Lett Britain Behind. "Ye arrived at the pole just before noon. April 6, the party consisting of the commander, myself, the four Eskimos and thirty-six dogs, divided into two detachments equal in numlegrees, 53 minutes, where we separated from Captain Basilett, who was photographed by the commander, Captain Bartlett regretted that he did not have a British flag to erect on the ice at this spot, so that the photograph right show this as the farth-

Britain had been advanced. "I kept a personal diary during this historic dash across the ice field. Our the part of the defendants them-

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#### To Be Pulled Off Soon.



Referee Sam:-Ladies and Gentlemen, allow me to introduce the two far north heavyweights, "Kid Me" Cook and "John L." Peary-This fight will be to a finish

#### MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL IN BANK CASE BRINGS NEW COMPLICATIONS

Defense Alleges That Deputy Marshal Behaved Improperly in Making Statements to Jurors—Holton Intimates That There Are Graver Matters Still to Jurors-Holton Intimates That There Are Graver Matters Still to be Aired; Motion Overruled.

The motion for a new trial made by counsel for Maj. Breeze and Joseph E Dickerson, convicted and sentenced about two weeks ago on the charge her and headed respectively by Com-mander Peary and myself. We had left the last supporting party at 87 a new and sensational turn yesterday of conspiracy to defraud the defunct a new and sensational turn yesterday when affidavits were read by Judge Charles A. Moore, of counsel for the defendants, affeging improper conduct on the part of it deputy marshal, Robert Ramsey, in connection with the jury which heard the case, est north to which the banner of followed by suggestions, at least, that these affidavits are untrue and that

> With these matters overshadowing, in importance, the formal motion, Judge Newman heard the grounds on which the motion was made and heard sensations are promised as District trial would be begun at once, Attorney Holton Intimated that he had even a graver charge to make than the one made in Judge Moore's

there has been improper conduct on

When the court opened its session, week before the end of the trial in materially effect the case. He then presented affidavits which were read and which produced the unexpected sensation in the otherwise extremely formal session of the court,

Juror's Affidavit.

The first affidavit read was made by E. Norton, a member of the jury. The affidavit stated that soon after the case had gone to the jury, Deputy Marshal Ramsey engaged in a conversation with Norton and said, "Rawis libes guilty as Breese and Dickerson and they are as guilty as hell." It is Garren, a foreman of the jury, heard this statement. The affidavit continwhich the motion was made and heard heard to Mr. Garren who asked the question District Attorney Holton Foreman's Statement,

The affidavit made by Foreman Carren was similar to that made by It declared that about a

SUPREME COURT HANDS

Judge Moore arose and made his mo- a conversation which damsey had tion for a new trial stating that new ... th him and Norton at the Swannan-matter had come to light which would on hotel, Rammey declared that Rawle was as guilty as Breese and Dickerson and that they were as gulfty as hell, but that he didn't believe that Rawla did anything except through ignorance. Garren also repeated the statements that Ramsey told them that

Judge Newman would hold the jury together another week or ten days until they agreed upon a verdict, and that if they did not agree he would call the case up again immediately for new trial inasmuch as he had

Moore stated that this information had come to him Tuesday and he thought it only proper that the court ues that the deputy marshal said to be informed of this conduct on the

the counsel on both sides briefly and the deficiency for the allegations made in the affidayits presented by Judge Moore will or so. It is stated that Ramsey also in court and asked that he be given District Attorney Holton said tha go on today, however, and further said that in case of a mistrial another time to look into the allegations there in made.

Judge Newman asked counsel for the defendants if these affidavite

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#### affidavits. SENDS SON-IN-LAW TO PRISON FOR FALSE OATH

Was Eighteen in Order to of in First Batch of Opin-Get a License.

BALTIMORE, S. pt. 15 .- For swear- RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 15 .- Thirfrom little Fannie infusino, the sur- | Forsythe, jr., at Ellicott City. Md. follows: Monday morning and she did not best of age, when in that she was scarrely vs. Southern Railway, Gates, affirm his proposel by the democratic party

ed; Badden vs. Hornehall, Washing- in Maryland, the president says: parental bleacing, 1-1 the bridegroom vs. Railroad, Beaufort, action dismissneight be compromised, but Mrs Says affirmed; Forehand va sailtead, Cam-

#### PRESIDENT DIAZ IS SEVENTY-NINE

Perferio Diaz, president of Mexico, 1: questions in an educational examcelebrated his seventy-rinth birthday ination.

# FAVORS UNRESTRICTED

Swore That His Sweetheart Thirteen Appeals Disposed President Taft Opposed to Provisions of Constituions Given Out. tions of Southern States.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15,-Presiing falsely in order to secure a mar- teen appeals were disposed of today dent Taft has squarely and unequivtinge license William Moore was too by the Supreme court with opinion ocally placed himself on record in a day sentenced to four years in the and otherwise, this being the second letter to a local newspaper, as being peniteptiary by Judge William II defivery day of the ferm. The list opposed to suffrage reatrletions which are manifestly intended to discrimi Moore obtained a license to marry State vs. Wynne, Washington, re- nate against the negro race. In an Elizabeth Saylor, of this city, repre-versed; Phoips vs. Davenport, Washs swer to a letter asking his opinior scrting that she and eighten years ington, new trial; tumber company to the Maryland constitution which

The pair were married August 9, ton, affirmed; Morrissett vs Cotton "It is deliberately drawn to impose The functil of Theresa, Proceeding and later went to the home of the Mills Pasquotank, affirmed; Simmons for the suffrage upon negroes and to tended to thou and). Four little play-girl's mother, Ti- latter, instead of vs Respass, Beaufort, affirmed; Baker exempt everybody else from such

"This is a gross injustice and I a violation of the spirit of the sifwhile afternoon and the crowd was arrested. His trie and conviction folled; White vs. Lipsitz, Bertie, affirm- teputh amendment. It ought to be sen greater than at the funeral of bwed. It was bought the matter of, Engine Co. vs. Paschall, Warren, voted down by everyone whether democrat or republican, who is in favor of a square deal.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 15 .- An ac van passed by a democratic legislature last year, providing for the sub-mission to the voters at the election next November of an amendment to the constitution of the state, which It admitted by the leaders of the demperatte party will have the effect of disfranchising a large number of he gro voters by providing for ownership of property valued at not less than \$500, or the giving of correct answers

The amendment contains the so-calltoday. He was the recipient of greetings from many foreign parts and keep off the registration books the handreds flocked to the national pal-| name of any newro who cannot com are to personally present their con- rly with the property ownership or

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## BALLINGER HELD **GUILTLESS IN THE** PINCHOT RUCTION

President Taff Finds no Fault in His Secretary of Interior

CHARGES WERE MADE WITHOUT ANY CAUSE

Gives Secretary Right to Discharge Official Who Made Them

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 15 .- A statenent in which President Taft announces his findings upon the charges against the conduct of the interior department of the government by L. R. Glavis, chief of the field division of the general land office, in connection with the Cunningham coal land claims in Alaska, exonerating Secretary Baltinger of the interior department and observing that Mr. Glavis' case embraced only "shreds of sus-picion without substantial evidence" was made public here tonight.

The president grants Secretry Ballinger's request for authority to dis-miss Mr. Glavis from the service of the government "for unjustly im-peaching the official integrity of his superior officer," and takes occas-ion to review evidence in the so-called water power trust" and other cases, to refute the charges that the secretary of the interior is out of sympa-

The statement in the form of a letter, to Secretary Ballinger, is in part as follows:

"Beverly, Mass., Sept. 13, 1909. "My dear sir

"On the 18th day of August last Mr. L. R. Glavis, chief of field division of the general land office, with headquarters at Seattle, Wash., called upon me here and submitted a statement or report relating to the conduct of the interior department, and par-ticularly to the action of yourself, Amistant Pierce, Commissioner of the Chief of Field Bervice Schwarts, reference to the so-called Cunningh group of coal land claims in Alaska. Mr. Glavis' report does not formulate his charges against you and the others, but by insinuating and innuendo

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# THE CENTRAL BANK IDEA

National Convention Discusses Many Matters Relating to Banking,

MEET IN SECTIONS

CHICAGO, Sept. 15 .- Two great divisions of banking activity, the trust company and the clearing house, occupied the attention of the delegates Bankers' association today. Separate meetings of each section were held.

Before the trust company section the principal address was by Daniel . Remson of the New York bar, author of a treatise on the law of deendet estates, who spoke on the Post Mortem Administration of Wealth.

The safety of the estate, he declard. was the first consideration and for hat reason argued that the integrity and business ability of an executor, whether personal or a trust company, was of the greatest importance. Strong independent of gold as the only safe eserve fund for a bank was the burten of the annual address of E. C. McDougal, president of the clearing num section.

The new president of the section, tol Wexler, of the Whitney Central National bank of New Orleans, urged that the members consider in the oming year the idea of adopting a iniform rate of charges for all items of business transacted by one bank or another bank, and also suggested that action be planned looking to the stablishment of uniformity in settling

laily clearances.
During the day it was whispered nong the delegates that the cenral bank idea suggested in the annual iddress of the president, George M. Reynolds, was disapproved by many

the convention. President Jackson of the trust comany section said in his annual adtress that in the thirteen years of the section's existence the wisdom of its existence had been amply justified. He said it had a membership of nearly, 1,000 companies representing resour-

n of four billion dollars. The national association of super vistors of state banks elected Clark Williams of New York president; Glien L. Wilson, South Carolina, was hosen secretary and treasurer.

## GOVERNOR JOHNSON IS IN SERIOUS CONDITION FROM SURGEON'S KNIFE

Undergoes Delicate Opera- Manager Says Several Playtion Which Leaves Hope of His Recovery.

#### SUFFERS GREAT PAIN AUGUSTA SAYS "LIE"

ROCHESTER, Minn., Sept. 14.-Governor John A. Johnson was open ated on in St. Mary's hospital here Times tonight for Johnny Dobbs. today by Dr. William J Mayo, as | manager of the Chattanooga baseball minating tonight in the arrest of a sisted by Dr. Charles Mayo, for a team, says that the members of his deep seated intestinal abovess.

Governor Johnson was upon the operating tables for two hours and liftsthree minutes. As soon as he had recovered from the effects of the anethetics his first words were for Mrs Johnson, who came at once to his bedside.

Later in the day a bulletin was

issued which said The doctors found a small deepseated abscess connected with the intestines. It was a difficult, serious and prolonged operation. Governor John-son stood it well and rallied. The chances are for his recovery, although he will not be out of danger for five days. He is suffering great pain."

A number of physicians witnessed the operation, Dr. H. H. Witherspeen. of this city, also a state senator, is known to have given the governor's private secretary, Frank A. Day, gloomy view of the case, saying that "it was one of the most terrible op-"it was one of the most terrible op-erations of the kind be ever witness-Mr J. E. Curtis, a

Dr. William Mayo, who performed the operation on thevernor Johnson today said in a long distance tele phone conversation at 10.45 tenight with Frank A. Day, Gov. Johnson's

private secretary: "The governor had a bad spell at I expect him to get through tonight all right. If he survives tomorrow though the danger will not be over will not resort to drugs Really. I have taken the matter up with the and his temperature 96."

## CHATTANOOGA PLAYERS SAY THEY WERE DRUGGED DURING AUGUSTA GAME

ers Made III by Drinking Water Provided.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Sept. 15 -A telephone mesage received by The team were poisoned today while play-It was a serious operation and ing in Augusta. All the men who Governor Johnson's condition in re- drank from a bucket of water are ill. garded tonight as grave, though the Two, who did not drink of the water surgeons hope for the patient's recove escaped. Meck, the star catcher, is confined to his bed with a doctor in attendance: It is not known how the poison got into the water or what was the nature of it.

SAY PU IS PALSE.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Sept. 15.-The statement made tanight by members of the Chattanooga feam that they had been drugged or poboned, at the ball park the afternson, is branded by both Manager Castro and Secretary Farr, of the local clubs as false They both claim that it is another scheme of Manager Dobbs, of Chatanooga to try to wine the pennant without playing for it.

about six o'clock and there was no talk of any one of the team being ill until after eight o'dock tonight which was two hours afterwards. The only man who is said to be ill, br Catcher Meeks, who is Manage

Chattanoogo baseball writer who is here with the team stated tonight that he water and had not felt any ill effects. He said that other members of the Chattanooga team had felt no bad effects.

Manager Castro said: "It is all false. We have just out-8.30 p. m. From this he rallied and played those fellows from Chattaneoga and they are trying every possible way to get public favor. We intend the chances for his recovery are good to continue defeating them, and we for several days. His pulse is 140 treat the whole matter as a huge

## ITALIAN SUSPECTED OF BEING MURDERER OF TWO

Little Girl Who Escaped Death Tells Story Which Incriminates Him.

THE VICTIMS BURIED

UTICA, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Today has brought forth several important developments in Sunday night's Italian murder mystery in this city, culman suspected of the crime. The arrest was made not far from where the two murdered children lived. The nan in custody is Michele Rizzo, and it is said that some time ago he boarded at the Procopio home,

The clue was secured this morning viving victim of the traceds, at the hospital. Her confidence was won by Mrs. W. C. Gray, the woman who first discovered the plucht of the children itate to give her information, which afteen, do had withhold from the authorities. The funeral of Theresa Procopio mates were the pall-bearers and the receiving the year had couple with a vs. Brown, Bertle, affirmed; Gaskins qualifications. asket was heaped with flowers, The funeral of Freddie Infusino was

The authorities lonight are very lor, the girl's near, was obstarate den, per curiam, affirmed; Steamboat relicent about giving out the details of the arrest. Further than to say that they have the man named by the life that the law be executed.

If they have the man named by the life indicated that the company vs Farmers and Merchants law be executed.

Line, Currinck, dismissed under rule law be executed. have not examined him at any great length and it is not believed that he will be taken before the Infusion child for identification until / identification

#### SAVANNAH MAY GET THE BIG MILL

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 15,-Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion, has written to the local athletic club that he is willing to fight Jim Jeffries here The consent of Jeffries niready has teen secured. a bid will be made for the contest. able winds.

#### 17; Smith Courtney company Brown, Beaufort, dismissed under rule

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.--Foreeast for North Carburg Partly cloudy gratulations. The diplomatic corps and educational qualifications, by provid-Thursday and Frida : moderate vari- consular body were early at the pal-