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Reported That Forest Fires Are Not So Violent.

Sixty-five Men Reach Spokane and State That Fifteen Austrians and Two American Choppers Were Burned to Death Last Saturday On Big Creek, Idaho—Many Rangers and Forest Fighters Are Still Missing.

Spokane, Was. (Special).—Following is the revised tabulation of the dead in the Northwestern forest fires:

- United States fire fighters in and near Idaho, 56. Montana deaths, including Bullion Mine, 13. At Newport, Wash., 3. At Wallace, Idaho, 4. Near Avery, Idaho, probably settlers, 47. At Mullan, Idaho, 2. At Spokane, 1. On Big Creek, Idaho, 47. Total, 208.

This gives a total of 303 dead, but it is probable that some of those listed by places may duplicate those listed as fire fighters. But as many are still missing the total dead will probably total more than 200 when the record is completed.

The fires are not so violent, and it is believed that the worst is over. Sixty-five men arrived in Spokane from Big Creek and said that 15 Austrians and 2 American choppers were burned to death. Thirty Italians had already been reported dead near that point.

MINISTER FALLS TO DEATH.

Father of William Stearns Davis Tumbles Off Ledge.

Mount Washington, Mass. (Special).—Rev. Dr. William Wall Wilson Davis, prominent Congregational minister of Pittsfield and father of William Stearns Davis, the author, was killed by falling over a ledge at Bush Bish Falls, one mile from the New York State line. Rev. Dr. Davis was formerly stationed at Cleveland, O., and Worcester, Mass.

Accompanied by his daughter, Miss Fannie Stearns Davis, and his two sons, William and Harold, the clergyman was on his way to New-Hampshire, where he was to preach at the home of a friend. He was swinging the carriage around, one of the wheels struck him and pushed him over the ledge. He fell 20 feet to the bottom, striking on his head and breaking his neck.

Dr. Davis was born in Western New York, 27 years ago. His wife, who was a daughter of the late President Stearns, of Amherst College, died about two years ago.

NEW METHOD OF WARFARE.

Submarine Invented to Pull Battleship to Bottom of Sea.

Washington (Special).—In the intervals between the transaction of such business as preparation of his annual estimates, writing of his annual report and supervising relief from the army to the forest fires in the Northwest, Gen. Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the Army, has had his attention called to a novel method of naval warfare. An inventor sent to his office designs of a gigantic submarine construction, capable of approaching a fleet under water, at the psychological moment flapping a huge wing over the unsuspecting battleship, dragging it down to the bottom of the ocean and holding the vessel there until its crew was "drowned." General Wood has forwarded the plan to the Navy Department.

CURE WAS ALMOST FATAL.

Man Uses Chloroform to Relieve Neuralgia and Escapes Death.

New York (Special).—Henry B. Lindsay, of Dallas, Texas, who is staying at the Hotel Knickerbocker, applied chloroform to his face in an effort to cure neuralgia and narrowly escaped being killed by the fumes. He was found lying on the bed unconscious.

KILLED DURING QUARREL.

Italian Shot Brother Because He Annoyed His Wife.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa. (Special).—During a quarrel at their home at Pittston, near here, Mattio Platano was shot and killed by his brother, Frank. The men quarreled because Frank had been annoying his brother's wife. The latter informed her husband, and when Mattio called his brother to account Frank drew a revolver and shot him. The murderer escaped.

YOUTHFUL MAIL ROBBER.

Twelve-Year-Old Confesses to Detective Who Arrested Him.

Nelson, Neb. (Special).—A government agent arrested William Moody, aged 12, charging him with robbing the mails. The boy broke down and confessed, after which he took the officer to a cave where he had secreted nearly a barrel of letters, \$2,500 in cash and several hundred dol-

SIX KILLED IN A REAR-END CRASH

Locomotive Ploughs Through Pullman Sleeper.

VICTIMS ARE UNABLE TO ESCAPE.

Collision Took Place Near Durand, Mich., Between Second and First Sections of the Boston and Montreal Express—The Sleeper "Nebraska" Is Set On Fire From Fire-Box of Engine and Burned—Five Passengers Were Injured and Eight Escaped.

Durand, Mich. (Special).—Superintendent Ehrke, of the Grand Trunk, gave out a statement that six passengers were killed, five were injured and eight escaped without injury in the Grand Trunk rear-end collision, three miles east of here, when the Pullman car Nebraska, on the eastbound train No. 14, was demolished and set on fire by the locomotive of passenger train No. 4.

Superintendent Ehrke's statement says that the assertion that there were just 19 passengers on the wrecked car is borne out by the train chart of Pullman Conductor Haynes and the list given out at Chicago by H. B. Elliott, first assistant general passenger agent of the Grand Trunk.

The uninjured passengers, according to Superintendent Ehrke, who has charge of the Grand Trunk lines west of the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers during the absence of Superintendent Egan, were checked up when the train started eastward after the wreck.

The forward section, which was known as No. 14, had stopped because of an accident to the air brakes, and Engineer Mitchell, of the forward section, had crawled under his engine to locate the trouble. The locomotive of the second section, known as No. 4, plowed half way through the rear sleeper of the forward train, and the locomotive fire-box set fire to the Pullman car. The passengers in the rear berths had not the slightest chance to escape, and those not killed by the crashing timbers as the locomotive forged through the sleeper were burned to death by the fire that followed. Half a dozen passengers, however, seriously injured, were rescued from the forward berths and taken to hospitals in Durand and Flint.

DROWNED RESCUING GIRL.

Grabs Man About Neck When Boat Capsizes On Pond.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y. (Special).—A sailboat containing a party of eight campers capsized on Plinks Pond, 17 miles from this city, and two of the party, Irving B. Paulding, an electrical engineer, and a young girl, were drowned.

YOUNG GIRL A BURGLAR.

Fourteen-Year-Old's Effort to Become a Heroine.

Newark, N. J. (Special).—Alice McLaughlin, 14 years old, unable to resist a desire to become a heroine, has confessed to having committed two "burglaries." While her aunt, with whom she lives, was away one day last week she ransacked the house and later told of having encountered a burglar, whom she drove away with a parrot. Today while her aunt was again away she repeated the little drama and told the same story. After severe questioning by the police she confessed all.

Wanted: A Xylotomist.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The government is hunting for a xylotomist, a xylotomist is admitted by the forest officials to be a rarity and to find just one, capable of making microscopic studies of trees and their structure the Civil Service Commission will hold examinations in all principal cities of the country October 5. The position pays \$1,100 per annum.

Gets Reward of \$1,000.

New York (Special).—John Deans, the chauffeur, who speared after Edward T. Rosenheim's automobile after it had killed Miss Grace Hough, will receive a reward of \$1,000 from Walter B. Hough, the father of the girl. Mr. Hough deprecates it as a reward, but just that Deans should be rewarded for bringing Rosenheim to justice.

Big Colliery Destroyed.

Mahanoy City, Pa. (Special).—West Bear Ridge colliery, owned and operated by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, at Mahanoy Plains, near here, was destroyed by fire. The colliery, which gave employment to 500 men and boys, was idle yesterday and the cause of the fire is not known. The colliery prepared and shipped 175,000 tons of coal annually, and the loss is heavy.

To Deport Japanese.

Seattle, Wash. (Special).—Eighteen Japanese women and 11 men are in the detention sheds of the United States Immigration Service here awaiting deportation as the result of residing in the restricted districts of Seattle and Tacoma, conducted by Inspector T. M. Fisher and deputies. They were arrested under the new act, which provides that any immoral alien may be deported, no matter how long they have been in the country.

Gil Well Shooter Dies.

Butler, Pa. (Special).—Frederick Emerson Hinman, 82 years old, an oil well shooter for forty years, died at 5:30 P.M. In forty years he shot 5,500 wells, the wells requiring from 2 to 223 quarts of oil, and he manufactured and handled more than 2,500,000 pounds of nitroglycerine. In the early days of the industry he was leader of the "moon lighters," so called because they were compelled to shoot wells at night. His daughter, Fanchon, for years helped him

C. CASTRO BEHIND THE GOMEZ PLOT

He Conspired Against Venezuela's President.

The Government Publishes a Full Statement of the Facts in Which Is Shown That the Exiled Former President Was the Guiding Spirit in the Move to Seize President Gomez—Intercepted Letters Foiled.

Caracas (Special).—The government published a full statement concerning the recent conspiracy against President Vicente Gomez, in which it is stated that Cipriano Castro, the former president of Venezuela, who is now in exile in Europe, was the instigator of the plot.

On July 29, the statement says, General Ehrke informed the governor of Caracas that he had been approached by Carlos Gafaro, a Colombian, who asked him to join a plot for the capture of President Gomez. The plan was for the seizure to take place at Sanor Gomez's farm in the suburbs of the capital, and the conspirators, armed with poignards in order to overcome any resistance, were to compel Senor Gomez to telephone orders to the governor and to Inspector General Galavis to surrender the garrison at Caracas.

According to the statement meetings were held at Cipriano Castro's Villa Zoila. Gen. Benjamin Ruiz, a Colombian, was the leader in the plot, and from a dozen to 20 other persons are said to have been connected with it. Senora Nieves Castro de Parra, a sister of Cipriano Castro, the statement declares, guaranteed \$30,000 to the conspirators. The government, it is said, intercepted a letter from Celestino Castro, a brother of Cipriano, to his sister, which indicated his complicity in the plot, and also a circular by Romero Garcia, a follower of Cipriano Castro, saying that President Gomez had better carry his will in his pocket, as Castro would make him pay for his treachery with his blood.

CHILD HACKED TO PIECES.

Disappeared Last Friday, Believed He Was Kidnapped.

Kingston, N. Y. (Special).—Peter, the four-year-old son of Frank Fabian, an Italian, disappeared from his home at Porterville, a few miles north of Kingston, on Friday last. Hundreds of Italians searched for the boy until Wednesday morning, when his body was found cut to pieces alongside an outhouse and out of town.

and considered a fortune-teller, and he returned Monday night the father said that the fortune-teller had told him that the boy would return within three days. The opinion now prevails that the boy was kidnaped, and when the kidnapper learned of what the fortune-teller had told the father he killed the child and placed the body where it was found.

SHOTS WIFE TO DEATH.

Husband After Securing Shotgun Lies In Wait.

Nyak, N. Y. (Special).—Edward Wegner, of Nanuet, shot and killed his wife with a shotgun and he was arrested during the day and held for the grand jury on a charge of murder by Justice Cooper, of Pearl River. Wegner and his wife were married 25 years ago, and have one son, 18. For several years past the wife had been ill, and because of Wegner's hard drinking.

For the last few months the couple have been separated. Mrs. Wegner and her son living together. The husband visited the farm, evidently for the purpose of killing his wife. He secreted himself behind a small building, about 70 feet from the house, and when his wife came out to feed the chickens he raised his gun and fired. The woman fell dead.

Child Kills Mother.

Corry, Pa. (Special).—Mrs. Robert Thompson, aged 32, of Pittsfield, near here, was shot and instantly killed by her 12-year-old son, Dewey. The boy had been presented with a life and was shooting his mother how he would kill a burglar. The gun was discharged, the bullet striking Mrs. Thompson in the head.

Gov. Flower's Widow Dead.

Watertown, N. Y. (Special).—Mrs. Rowell F. Flower, aged 74, widow of former Governor Flower, died at her home in this city after a month's illness from heart trouble. She leaves an estate variously estimated at from \$4,000,000 to \$8,000,000. One daughter (Mrs. Emma Flower Taylor) survives.

Went to Red Smoking.

Pittsburg (Special).—A guest at a large downtown hotel went to bed with a lighted cigar in his mouth. In a few moments his bed was afire. An alarm was turned in calling out all the downtown fire fighting apparatus. Guests in the hotel fled panic stricken into the streets, scantily clad. Frightened women narrowly escaped being run down by the fire horses.

Manufacturer Kills Himself.

New York (Special).—Made dependent by ill health, W. S. Klee, 37 years old, a Brooklyn clothing manufacturer, who lived at the Hotel Ansonia with his wife and 10-year-old daughter, committed suicide in his apartment by shooting himself in the head.

Gaynor's Wound Healed.

Pottstown, Pa. (Special).—An evidence of the farmers' prosperity and their inclination to keep up with dwellers in the cities in the way of modern improvements is the report from automobile agents, who say they are doing more business with them than with city people. Being so busy, they are, it is said, neglecting their health. Many of them are now in the hospital, and only the hospital physicians are in attendance. There will be a consultation of physicians toward the end of this week to fix a date at which it will be safe to allow the use of automobiles.

JAPAN REPRESENTATIVE

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The Tagelblatt affirms that although prices did not fall on the exchange, trading slackened, and brokers apprehend an unfavorable influence of the speech upon markets at home and abroad.

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