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THOUSANDS ARE HOMELESS IN FIRE-SWEPT DISTRICT

Raging Blazes Close in on Several Small Settlements Near the City of Duluth.

One Town of 4,000 People Is Completely Wiped Out, and Several Towns Are Hemmed in by Flames.

of agricultural lands and millions feet of standing timber were laid waste, ie town was which out, three more vns may have been destroyed, several were burned and at least people are homeless tonight as the of forest fires which swept through districts in Northern Wisconsin and

luth, was completely destroyed. The y building standing is the new \$125,000

cut off from the world by the faces a wall of flames that is part of the county. A fire at

to, Minn., Sept. 5.-Forest alres have been burning for three days sed in on several towns and small setthem out, rendering several thousand million othern Wisconsin and northern Min-

the Mesaba iron range, ninety miles of Duluth, was completely wiped Bibbling, five miles from Chisholm, surrounded by forest fires tonight settlements have been do-neaw, a village twenty-five of Duluth, was surrounded by of the burning forests, it is

destructive of the many ods have been on the west and north the town and small bush fires were ported to the eastward. Gradually these osed in on the doomed town, but no oncer was foll by the citizens as the

west, in which direction the citizens be

At noon today the three walls of fire joined, making a semicircle of threatening flames which swept toward the little mining fown with a rush and a roar. The hot breath of the conflagration was fell as the advancing flames rolled over the hills, licking up every tree, stump and every vestige of plant growth and

sonding up a hurricane of redhot brands that fell upon the doomed town, At the first advent of these flaming couriers, the citizens of Chisholm wen forth to fight the fire. The fire department was not able to cover a large territory and although intermittent blazes started by the falling firebrands were quickly extinguished the wall of fire rolled onward toward the town and the eltizens soon realized that its destruc

the outlying buildings that the citizens did not have time to save any of their household goods or personal effects. The people had ample time to escape with their lives and soon the roads leading from the town were thronged with the fleeling people in wagons, on horses and on foot. There are two roads from Hibbing to Chisholm and the most direct was in the path of the fire necessitating travel by way of the longer road.

Conveyances were at a premium. A foreigner with a small wagon and one horse offered to take a woman and three small children to Hibbing for \$5. A man overheard the conversation and drawing a revolver he pointed it at the foreigner's head and climbing into the rig compelled him to drive the party over the fire zero.

leave the burning town, refused to go with her companions. They were forced to flee for their fives and she was left behind. She has not been seen since. Oscar La France, editor of the Chis-holm Tribune, was in his office and above him the roof was in flames before he was apprised of his danger. He was compelled to break a window to escape. All Is Confusion.

Business men ran home to get their families and many separations occurred as they in turn fled toward the business district. Constornation retuned, but as the burning town, recognition was easier and families soon were reunited, Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 5.—A Sentinel

special from Bayfield, Wis., says: Bayfield is suffered losses estimated to might at \$200,000 by fire and the flames are still raging, though the blaze is being confined within an area of about blocks. The department of Washi twelve miles away, and of twenty-one miles distant, were appealed to, each responding with an engine sent here by special train,

Late tonight the flames were still burnfown is protected on the east by Long-year take, a small body of water, and there are many mining locations to the large are many mining locations to the

CORONER'S JURY HOLDS GOODELL FOR MURDER

that Is Result of the Inquest Held Over the Body of Miss Edua Kenneth.

Appears That the Murderer Had injured. Long Contemplated Committing the Crime.

"That Edna Kenneth came to ber death working for the Kingman Implement rom gunshot wounds inflicted by Van Goodell Friday night at Fifteenth and James Barrett, whom he kept calling for from gunshot wounds inflicted by Van Goodell Friday night at Fifteenth and bleago streets, and we the jury recom-

nend that he be held to the district That was the verdict of the coroner's dna Kenneth, Saturday afternon. Dr. Lavender, who conducted an autop-



ey, stated that both wounds, the one in the brain and the one in the lungs, would have caused her death, although the shot in the brain brought it on more

Witnesses verified the first reports that Goodell and the girl were standing talk-ing together and suddenly he fired at

of the girl, was present at the inquest, as also was the man engaged to her,

most of the time for a year, and that she had gone out with Goodell two or three times, and then knew that he had threatened her. He had an interview with Goodell at the Jail, and when he demanded to know why Goodell had shot her, the latter fell on his face on the floor, and soemed to be unable to give an answer, although he admitted that he knew the Cass.

consequences. Carper recalls the time when he laid in wait for her and a young man, slashing the young man badly, and at that time she ran or she too might have been

From all that can be learned it appears that Van Goodell had planned the mur-der for some thue, and had brooded over being repulsed by the girl until planning her death had become a mania.

Goodell lived in Florence, although

continually after the tragedy.
It is said that Goodell bought a revolver some weeks ago with the avowed in-tention of killing Miss Kenneth, but this was taken away from him by Barrett. Next he secured a number of razors, and these were also taken away from him. A shotgun which he kept in the room disappeared one night, and a search dis-closed Goodell asleep, sitting on a curbstone with the gun in his arms, waiting for a car for Omaha. Goodell bought a second-hand revolver about a week ago, it is alleged, which was taken away from him by a Florence saloonkeeper after he had flourished it in the saloon, threatening to shoot Edna Kenneth on sight. Later the saloon man returned the gun

PROHIBITION WAVE WRECKS SUPPLY CO.

Goodell, and it was with this revolver

that the fatal shot was fired Friday oven-

ng. The police now have possession of he gun, which is of 38-caliber.

National Bottlers' Supply Company Goes to Wall With Liabilities of \$50,000.

New York, Sept. 5.-The wave of prohibition throughout many important sections of the country is given as the cause of the failure of the National Bottlers' Supply company, against which a bankrupley petition was filed in the United States court today for a number of credi-tors. The liabilities are \$50,000, and assets

BOYS WALK FROM VALLEY. Lothard Jensen, Emil Peterson, Lynn her. Sho started to run, and he caught her, and shot twice more, then turning the gun on himself.

A. B. Carper of Eagle, Nob., an uncle of the girl, was present at the inquest, as also was the man engaged to her, William Witte.

Carper said that she had been in Omaha Sackett and Harry Sackett, all members

Current History of Week as Seen Through Cartoonist Spencer's Specs



UNOFFICIAL RETURNS FROM 60 COUNTIES

Indications Are That Shallenberger Whs Out by 2,500 to

Probably the Total Democratic Vote Will Approximate

Picharty Has Safe Lead for Attorney General-Some Contests

Is Apparently Nominated for Auditor and Eastham for

litchcock . Hooker

Rock Saline Saunders ..

Sauthoff	Sarpy	131
Scottsbluff	52	
Stanton	52	
Thomas	28	
Thurston	50	
Valley	70	
Wayne	92	
Wobster	32	
York	220	primary have been returned from sixty of the ninety counties of the state, and are presented herewith. They give Borge 6.411, Dahlman 7,898 and Shallenberger

It is now possible to estimate the out-come with reasonable certainty. The ra-tic shown by these fifty-nine outside counties, if maintained through the rest of the state outside of Douglas, will bring the candidates to this county in the following order: Shallenberger with 11,838, Dahlman with 7,006 and Berge with 9,054. Adding the Douglas county vote, the to-tals will be: Shallenberger 13,250, Dahl-man 10,294 and Berge 7,503.

TALE OF THE WEATHER. Yesterday's official record of tempera-ture and precipitation compared with the corresponding days of the past three years:

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 1908
 1907
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 Maximum temperature.
 93
 95
 88
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 Minimum temperature.
 67
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 65

 Mean temperature.
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 Temperatures yesterday at Omaha:

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, 2, or 60 and 40, per cent. Returns have thus far been made to the World-Herald of 2,147 votes, and the indications are that the populist vote polled at the pri-

mary will closely approximate 5,000. The democratic vote will be about 31,000. Meager returns on the constitutional amendments show that each of the amendments has carried by a vote of about 3 to 1, in each of the parties, and (Continued on Page 11-N.)

OKLAHOMA ELEVATOR MEN GO AFTER THE RAILROADS

Washington, D. C., Sept. 5,-The Mid-Totals .6411 7898 9102 1233 861 land Mill and Elevator company of Oklahoma in a complaint against the Kansas Complete returns on the gubernatorial Southwestern, Midland Valley, Kansas City Southern, Kansas & Texas, and Miscity Southern, Ivansas & Texas, and missouri, Kansas & Texas railway of Texas asks the interstate commerce commission to require the defendant lines to maintain reasonable tariffs of joint and through rates on grain and grain products. The complaint says the failure to "This is also information of the kind establish through rates discriminates in which cannot be given out without the favor of millers at Arkansas City and permission of the secretary of the navy," points in Texas.

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN CLOSES IN GENEVA

man 10,294 and Bergo 7,503.

These counties outside of Douglas cast 65.8 per cent of the democratic vote of the state. With the same showing through, the 34.2 per cent of the vote, Shallenberger's plurality will very closely approximate 3,000.

A little over half of the counties that have reported have made separate returns of the populist vote. It is shown to have been divided between Berge and Shallenberger at the ratio of about 3 to

ADMIRAL REVIVES AN OLD SCANDAL

Battleship Oregon Sald to Carry Four

Faulty Plate Has Never Been Romoved From Other Vessels, as Ordered by Secretary.

Investigation of Matter Is Prompted by Statement Made in Upton

but Nothing Has Been Done.

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In addition the naval authorities in the Oregon which, by expert testimo given nearly after years ago, was shot to be full of blowholes, is still on the Washington, D. C., Sept. 5.—Renr Ad-poiral W. P. Mason, chief of the bureau of ordnance, admitted that the battleship Oregon, once the pride of the United States navy, has carried since the day the was built 400,000 tons of defective ar-

mor plate. In addition the naval authorities reluctantly told that the coming tower of the Oregon which, by expert testimony given nearly lifteen years ago, was shown to be full of blowholes, is still on this vessel which may any day be called to aid in defending the country against an

It is also shown that the armor marufactured by the Carnegie Steel company limited, up to the latter part of 1893, which Hilary A. Herbert, then secretary of the navy, recommended be stripped from the Zudlana, New York, Massachusetts and several other smaller vessels, never have been removed. The investigation of the matter

prompted by the assertion in Upton Sin-clair's book, "The Money Changers," and that "there are ships in our navy covered with roten armor plate that was sold to the government for four or five times what it cost." What it cost."
Referring to the investigation in 1893-94
which resulted in the celebrated armior
plate gonndal, the author says:

"Nothing much was over done about it. The government could not afford to let the real facts get out. But, of course, the insiders in the navy knew about it and the memory will last as long as the

Steel Men Attacked. This part of the book is a bitter attack on several well known men who have been connected for years with the steel industry and whose identity it is easy to trace. It charges that at the time of the armor plate scandal they bought out the democratic party and secured the sup-port of a prosident of the United States. Following up a reference made in the book to a Pittsburg lawyer who gave the information upon which the government investigation was based and to plate "A" 619, said by the book to have been manufactured for the Oregon, reporters discovered all the evidence that was laid before the investigators.

Inasmuch as Afteen years have passed since the date of the investigation this evidence is not more amazing than the statement obtained not only from the chief of the fureau of ordnance for the navy, but from the secretary of the navy himself, that the defective armor plate placed originally.

"I cannot state correctly whether the armor in question is still on the Oregon and the other vessels which were involved in the investigation without referring to the records of the bureau," said Admiral Mason, when first interviewed. he added.

Secretary Metcalfe was then visited. He said he would have a conference with Admiral Mason during the day. In the afternoon he notified the reporter that he had instructed the chief of the bureau of ordnance to show what records were in his office.
"The navy department cannot be held

Found in the Handbag of Mrs. Rice and Police Are Searching for Her Husband.

Doctor in Her Possession, but Destroyed by Order of Police.

Where did the empty 32-caliber revolver shell found in the hangbag belonging to Mrs. Rice come from and what is its significant

Why did Mrs. Rice, alias Leona Bunnell, spend a sleepless night and send out at 8 o'clock in the morning for the morning papers on the morning that Dr. Fred Rustin was murdered?

Why did Dr. Rustin give her or her husband a \$500 check on the First National bank when his account was not sufficient to meet it, and why did she continue to carry the check, which the police ordered destroyed?

Where is A. B. Rice, the supposed husband of Mrs. Rice, and s it true that he has been seen in Omaha?

Prelations existing between his wife and Dr. Rustin. Telegrams were sent the war department at Washington asking when and where Rice was discharged. The police at present want him to explain his whereabouts on the morning of the murder.

injustice by stating that Mrs. Rice lived here and by referring to 'inmates' of my place," said Miss Gleason, by way of preface, "I wish it understood that I

ago at about 3 o'clock that Dr. Rustin said, the told me to tell whoever ansecalled me by telephone. I had gone to bed, but I got up and answered and hoard someone say, 'Do you know who this is?' I knew the voice in a minute and answered, 'Hello, Doe; how are you?' I either got no answer or did not find swered, 'Hello, Doe; how are you?' had known Doc for ten years. He

Careless Treatment.

Algor and Lieutenant A. A. Ackerman produced. In part it is as follows: "We have fully considered the affidavits made by several men who either witnessed or participated in the manufacture of the groups of armor. They affirm that the armor was carclessly or wrongfully treated with the view of increasing the output. They state that in many cases the plates were treated only at the ends, from which the test spe-cimens were taken. They affirm that in at least two cases test plates were treated after they had been selected by the government inspector.
"Finally we have to state that in our belief the whole quantity of armor sup-

SEND WIRELESS MESSAGES FROM WASHINGTON SHAFT

Special Dispatch to the World-Herald, Washington, D. C., Sept. 5,--A government wireless telegraph station top of Washington monument, 555 feet from the ground, is the Intest suggestion of Lieutenant Commander Cleiand Davis of the navy. The practicability and fensibility of the plan is approved by the experts of the government.

PUZZLE IN RUSTIN CASE

Worthless Check for \$500 Signed by the

Why does Mrs. Rice tell so many conflicting stories of what happened on the fatal night that Dr. Rustin was murdered?

First of all the police in probing the mystery of Dr. Rustin's death are now bending their efforts to find the husband of Mrs. Rice, the woman held in close custody by the police for the inquest next Tuesday.

Rica was a United States soldier and was discharged from the army in August when his term of enlistment expired. It is said the police have knowledge that he was seen in Omaha within the past week and that he asked concerning too relations existing between his wife and

The autopsy showed that Dr. Rustin was killed by a bullet from a 32-caliber evolver. The police in searching the toom of Mrs. Rice or Leona Bonnell discovered tucked away in one corner of her handbag an empty cartridge hull of a 32-callbor size. Of what this little shell is a souvenir the woman refuses to tell While the woman is not under arrest, yet she is kept in solitary confinement in the matron's ward of the city, jull and none are permitted to approach her. However, her father, A. M. Clary of Des Molnes, who arrived in Omaha' Saturday working was leasted with his daughter.

norning, was closeted with his daughter for three hours.

It was in some way to answer as far as possible the above questions that a world-Herald-reporter asion, that a report of a rounting house at 1922 Douglasy street, whosein Mrk. Rice was found by the police to morning after the marker, for a statement of the situation in so far as she was able to explain it.

Surgical Skill Employed.

performed operations for me and once

a similar recommendation. A resolution was later passed by the house of representatives concurring in this, but the matter never got through the senute. Without legislation to provide funds for such work the armor could not have been removed. And today the entire armor equipment of the vessels in question is

The report of Captain Sampson, Prof.

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State department officials are also in-terested in the project of seeing the sta-tion successfully installed.

Presented Her as a

though nothing more about it, because I supposed it was a nurse that was helping him in his work, probably someone from out in the state.
"They were here Saturday, Sunday and Monday, and Tuesday until about 8 o'clock in the afternoon. Doe went out once in a while for a half hour or at hour, but never longer. He was just as

jolly and cheerful as could be, and seemed to enjoy himself all of the time that he was here. On Tuesday afternoon ha left, and a little later the little girl "About 11:30 that night the little girl came back alone, and said that she had been to the theater with Doe, and had then taken him out home on the ear, and had stayed on the same car and come back. I said to her, You don't mean that

called up Dr. Rustin's home by telephone. I gathered from the conversation as I heard it at my end of the line that Doo

Called Rustin's House a week do you?' I asked in surprise.

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SMITH SEES VICTORY FOR THE NEBRASKAN

Former United States Senator Gives His Views After Making Trip Through West.

New York, Sept. 5,-Former U. S. Ben. ator James Smith, jr., the central figure in New Jersey's democracy, back from an extended western trip, said in an interview at his office in the Federal Trust Co., at Newark today, "I believe that Mr. Bryan has a great chance of clos-

"The middle west, so far as the repub-lican party is concerned is in a most de-moralized condition. Prohibition and antiprohibition agitation dominates everytalking in favor of the prohibition sup-port the straight ticket of the prohibition party at the polls there is not a question that they will very materially reduce the normal republican vote, because a very large part of the support for the anti-liquor ticket will be furnished by republicans."

IMPROVEMENT CLUB MISEES. The Riverview Improvement club held a rather enthusiastic meeting at their, hall, 1405 Canton street, hast ovaning. It seems that the street car company has filled in and raised the track so that it is very www.ad, especially for women and children, to get on and off the cars. The club authorized the companities on streets and alloys to take the matter up with the street car company and try to induce it to fill in these had places with cluders. Reports by various committees were adopted an the routing business tranacted.

A Good Market for Horses

COZAD, Neb., Sept. 4, 1908-World-Herald - Please withdraw my ad in your paper for 22 head of horses. Tho ad brought GOOD RESULTS. Yours truly, E. S. HEFNER,

THEAD

For Sule-22 head of young horses and nares, 11 of each; good boned, well halter broke; coming 8s and 4s; branded 71 on law; no bronchos; 370 a head will buy them; worth \$100. My crop burnt out the cause of seiling. If inforested, write to the or come and see the horses. E. R. Hefner, Route No. 2, Cozad, Neb.

World-Herald want ads sell horses just as easily as they rent rooms, and every landlady in Omaha knows how quick-