

SAFETY OF GUNBOAT DUE TO ENSIGN ELSON

Piston of the Manila, Broken in Midocean, Repaired Through Young Officer's Skill.

VESSEL SIXTY DAYS OVERDUE.

Parents of the Naval Officer Live in St. Louis, and He Will Visit Them in a Few Days.

To H. J. Elson, Ensign in the United States Navy, whose parents and sister reside in St. Louis, credit is due that the gunboat Manila, one of Dewey's captures from the Spaniards, at present does not lie at the bottom of the Pacific Ocean with its crew of 197 men.

With the boat's high-power piston shattered, the vessel was helpless, 1,000 miles from San Francisco, 1,200 miles from Honolulu, and 1,800 miles from Bremerton, its destination. By working night and day, during gales and in calm weather,



ENSIGN H. J. ELSON. Naval officer who saved the gunboat Manila from wreck and whose parents live in St. Louis.

Elson managed to partially repair the piston and get the engines in working order so that it was possible to make San Francisco, the nearest port. Ensign Elson was graduated at the head of his class from Annapolis in 1898. His home originally was at Meridian, Miss., but three years ago his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Elson, moved to St. Louis. They and the young officer's sister, Mrs. W. A. Zelnick, reside at No. 4599 Washington boulevard.

At the battle of Manila, the gunboat Manila, then flying the Spanish flag, surrendered to the United States ship Petrel. In 1899, the craft was commissioned in the United States and did effective service in the Philippines. On April 15 of this year it left Manila for Bremerton, where it was to go out of commission for a time. After a difficult experience at sea, owing to a shortage of coal, the Manila reached its port on May 21, departing from that place on May 25.

The piston gave way without warning, and the Manila was thrown upon a reef. Ensign Elson ranked also as chief engineer and upon him devolved the apparently impossible task of remedying the situation. He was assisted by two other officers, graduates of Annapolis, but, as both officers and men were not enough for the work, on June 4, a heavy gale overtook the ship and it drifted far from its course. Despite the rocking of the vessel, Elson kept his post, although handling 50-pound pieces of steel with the boat tossing about with no easy matter. Finally a makeshift substitute piston was put in place, and the engine was started. The disabled vessel reached San Francisco June 12, sixty days overdue.

The Manila is not large, having a displacement of 1,800 tons and a draught of 20 1/2 feet. It is 212 feet and only 13 feet draft. The breaking of a piston is a serious matter. Such an accident caused the loss recently of the British gunboat Condor with officers and men. The other officers of the Manila were: Lieutenant Commander W. F. Halley, Lieutenant Commander J. A. Dougherty, Ensign W. J. Begg, Ensign L. E. Cotton, Ensign R. H. Robinson, and Ensign R. H. Robinson. Ensign Elson is at present in San Francisco, but will visit St. Louis when he can secure leave of absence.

"Atlantic" Shoe Factory Resumes Operations. The disastrous fire of last Monday, which burned down the Riding Academy at Channing and Locust, did but slight damage to the exterior of the "Atlantic" shoe factory, building of the Friedman Brothers Shoe Company. This damage is being repaired now and the insurance having been adjusted, there will be no delay in filling orders going through the works. Had the fire been more disastrous the Friedman Brothers Shoe Company would have experienced very little difficulty in supplying their customers. The factory is situated on the corner Jefferson avenue and Madison street, and the insurance has been adjusted and all shipments are heavily stocked for fall shipments. Luckily, however, the fire suffered little inconvenience and all business is being attended to in the usual proper manner.

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FELL WHILE ASLEEP IN WINDOW Joseph Mueller Taken to Hospital With Fractured Arm.

Joseph Mueller, 42 years old, of No. 509 South Twenty-second street, fell from a second-story window yesterday morning and is now at the City Hospital suffering from a fractured arm, the only injury sustained in his fall of over twenty feet. Mueller sat down on the window sill to cool off. He dropped asleep and fell to the pavement. He was picked up and sent to the City Hospital where his arm was dressed.

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GERMAN SAVINGS MAY DOUBLE ITS CAPITAL

Mechanics' National Bank Increases Dividends From Eight to Ten Per Cent a Year.

The German Savings Institution is contemplating doubling its capital stock, which is now \$200,000. President John Wahl admitted yesterday that such a step is likely to be taken within a short time. "We have not perfected the details for increasing the capital," said Mr. Wahl, "and I do not care to discuss the matter publicly. But I cannot deny the report current that the doubling of the capital is under consideration."

More Than 150 New Designs In Belt Buckles and Buckle Pins for you to select from at Mermod & Jaccard's, on Broadway and Locust. Prices range from 50 cents to \$5.

THEIR AUTOMOBILE RAN AWAY. O. J. Garrison and George Jones Arrested for "Scorching."

Oliver J. Garrison of No. 465 Westminister place and George T. Jones of No. 450 Maryland avenue were defendants in the First District Police Court yesterday morning on the charge of speeding their automobiles through Forest Park at speed forbidden by law Wednesday evening. Policemen Kilroy and Dwyer of the Fourth District arrested them Wednesday evening in front of the Cottage.

MECHANICS' INCREASES DIVIDEND. A surprise was sprung upon stockholders of the Mechanics' National Bank yesterday by a notice that the dividends have been increased from 8 to 10 per cent quarterly. All stockholders whose names appear on the record to date are entitled to the quarterly dividend of 2 1/2 per cent July 1.

BOULEVARD BILL APPROVED. Delegate Cronin's Committee Will Report West Pine Bill.

About fifteen owners of property on West Pine boulevard yesterday appeared before the Committee on Public Improvements of the House of Delegates in the interest of bills for improvement of the street between Market and Pease streets, and the other boulevard proper and the other for reconstructing the boulevard with bituminous macadam pavement.

FEDERAL COURT ENJOINS ROAD. Street Railway Construction Delayed by Litigation at Dallas.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Dallas, Tex., June 19.—Judge Edward McKee of the Federal District Court today granted the Consolidated Electric Railway Company a temporary injunction restraining the city from building or constructing the proposed street car line on Main street, between Market and Pease streets, until the defendant shall appear in court Monday, December 1, 1902, to say why a permanent injunction shall not be granted.

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ST. LOUIS COUNTY PARAGRAPHS. George Eaton and Clarence Goldsmith were committed to jail yesterday by Justice of the Peace Edward Johnston of Maplewood, on charges of assault and battery, perjury by affidavit, and a municipal additional charge of disturbing the peace was placed against Goldsmith. Both men will be tried July 1.

Marriage Licenses were issued in Clayton yesterday to James Mason and Lucy Wise of Kirkwood, Phil. H. Sheridan of Clayton and Annie E. Porter of Columbia, Mo. Also to Ely and Marie Goodman of St. Louis and Edwin Paschall and Paula G. Wampler, both of East St. Louis.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Jefferson City, Mo., June 19.—Governor Dockery today appointed Doctor S. C. Bushnell of St. Louis to the State Board of Dental Examiners, to succeed Doctor J. B. Ingram of Fayetteville, who resigned on account of ill health. Doctor Rubey was unanimously endorsed for the appointment by the meeting of Dentists held in Jefferson City last month. Doctor Rubey is also president of the State Dental Association. Doctor J. B. Ingram of Fayetteville was also appointed a member of the board for a term of five years from June 20, 1902.

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GAVE HIM FILIPINO MEDICINE. Child Died After Treatment With "Watercure" by Playmates. Guthrie, Ok., June 19.—The authorities of Pottawatomie County are investigating the death of Arthur Peore, aged 4, near Shawnee, which is alleged to have resulted from attempts of several companions to treat him with the "water cure."

Browning, King & Co. Broadway and Pine St. QUICK MEAL GAS RANGES RINGEN STOVE CO.

Two Oil Paintings and Two Etchings Donated by Friends. The Dozier School, of which Miss Sallie W. Griffith is principal, has been the recipient recently of several notable works of art, the gifts of donors interested in the school. Professor F. O. Sylvester of the High School, has presented to the school two oil paintings, one of which represents Edna Briggs and a view of the grain boats lying back and forth, and the other setting forth a view looking toward St. Louis.

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VISITORS AT ST. LOUIS HOTELS. J. Barber of Bushnell, Ill., is a guest at the Laclede. Enos Walker of Centralia, Ill., is registered at the Laclede. C. G. Runt of Kirksville, Mo., is staying at the Laclede. G. A. Huffman of Des Moines, Ia., has a room at the Laclede. F. B. Lawrence of Omaha, Neb., is staying at the Laclede. J. H. Cook of Carthage, Mo., has a room at the Laclede. W. D. Cox of Memphis, Tenn., is registered at the Laclede. W. A. Anderson of Kansas City is registered at the Laclede. Judge T. K. May of Clarksville, Ark., is registered at the Laclede. Colonel A. F. Fleet of Culver, Ind., is registered at the Laclede. Mrs. E. Le Brockway of Sioux Falls, S. D., is a guest at the Laclede. C. H. Pope and W. E. McCrea of Moline, Ill., are at the Laclede. E. W. Smith and George O. Hart of Paducah, Ky., are at the Laclede. Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Traver of Ventia, I. T., have quarters at the Laclede. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Gehbart of Galveston, Ill., have rooms at the Laclede. Mr. and Mrs. J. McLean and Miss Picher of Galveston, Ill., are guests at the St. Nicholas. Judge James T. Neville and Jerome S. Boardman of Springfield, Mo., are staying at the Laclede. Mrs. O. H. Picher and Miss Picher, wife and daughter of Judge Picher of Joplin, Mo., are guests at the Southern.

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