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FAMILY OF FOUR DROWN

Man, Wife and Two Children Perish in Launch Disaster.

THREE OF PARTY SAVED

Airship Falls, Orville Wright Injured and Army Officer Killed—Gave \$4,000,000 to Each of His Children. Father Sees His Son Cut in Two. Fought to the Death to Save Her Husband—Falls Head First into a Thresher—Gets Twenty Years For Stealing \$5.

Four persons out of a party of seven in a launch were drowned in Long Island sound off Stratford point, Conn. The three survivors were rescued after having been in the water nearly two hours.

The dead are: Frederick L. Roswell, Mrs. Roswell, his wife; Edward, a son, aged nine, and May, a daughter, aged seven.

Other members of the party were Miss Gertrude Adams, William Gerbith and Mrs. C. Wesley Parkes. The party left this city for a sail on the Housatonic river, and were homeward bound during the evening, when the launch ran upon the breakwater off Stratford point and began to pound to pieces.

Roswell put his wife and two children in the launch tender, together with Mrs. Parkes, while Miss Adams and Gerbith were instructed to cling to the stern of the little boat. He then took his place in the boat and started to row, as he thought, for the shore. He evidently lost his bearings and rowed out into the sound. Roswell rowed until exhausted, and then, in an attempt to get out and land, he gradually slipped from the boat and went under. The others kept up their cries for help. As they drifted nearer the shore their cries were heard and a rescue party brought them ashore.

Airship Falls; Wright Injured. After having drawn the attention of the world to his aeroplane flights at Fort Myer, near Washington, and having established new world's records for heavier-than-air flying machines, Orville Wright met with a tragical mishap while making a two-man flight. The aeroplane was accompanied by Lieutenant Thomas E. Selfridge, of the signal corps of the army. Lieutenant Selfridge was fatally injured and died. Mr. Wright was seriously injured, but is expected to recover.

While the machine was encircling the drill grounds a propeller blade snapped off and, hitting some other part of the intricate mechanism, caused it to overturn in the air and fall to the ground, enveloping the two occupants in the debris.

Soldiers and spectators ran across the field to where the aeroplane had fallen and assisted in lifting Mr. Wright and Lieutenant Selfridge from under the tangled mass of machinery, ropes, wire and shreds of muslin. Mr. Wright was conscious and had apparently struck the ground with great force. His head was covered with blood and he was choking when the machine extricated him from under the machine.

Dr. Watters, a New York physician, was one of the first to reach the spot and rendered first aid to the injured men. When their wounds had been bandaged Mr. Wright and Lieutenant Selfridge were taken to the Port Myer hospital at the other end of the field. It was feared that Mr. Wright was suffering from internal injuries. He had lapsed into a state of semi-consciousness by the time he reached the hospital, while Lieutenant Selfridge, whose skull was fractured, died without regaining consciousness.

Mr. Wright Wednesday replaced the propellers which he had been using with a longer pair, the blades of which were six inches longer, and many who have witnessed Mr. Wright's flights at Fort Myer believe the change of propellers caused the broken blade showed that it had been snapped off at a point one-fourth of the distance from the hub. A deep indentation of the broken piece indicated that it had struck some other part of the aeroplane.

Fought to the Death to Save Husband. John Roberts and his wife resisted a sheriff and his deputies in a fight near Frontonia, Mo., one mile south of the Arkansas line, when the officers attempted to arrest Roberts for killing Obe Kessinger, a neighbor. As a result the woman and Sheriff Mooney, of Baxter county, Ark., are probably mortally wounded and Roberts and two deputies are seriously hurt.

Roberts went to Kessinger's house and called Kessinger to the door. When Kessinger appeared Roberts fired and killed him, it is said. The cause of the deed has not been learned.

Sheriff Mooney, with several deputies, started to arrest Roberts. Mrs. Roberts from a window told the officers to keep away, but the sheriffs continued to advance, and both she and her husband opened fire.

Mooney was shot by the woman. It is said. His fall disconcerted the deputies for a few minutes, and Roberts and his wife took advantage of this to barricade the house. They defended the buildings for hours under fire. When the firing from within finally ceased the door was broken down.

Mrs. Roberts, suffering from fourteen wounds, was dying, and no attempt was made to remove her to jail.

Gave \$4,000,000 to Each of Children. At the golden wedding supper of himself and wife, W. H. Singer, an iron king of Pittsburgh, distributed \$10,000,000 among his four children, each getting \$4,000,000.

Through the filing of certain papers in the Allegheny county court house here this came out and was later admitted by the Singer family, which is among the best known and oldest in Pittsburgh.

The iron king simply invited his children to the family home in Allegheny to assist in celebrating the golden wedding date on May 27. None of the children were invited, and each found by his or her plate a small dinner "favor"—checks, bonds and deeds amounting to \$4,000,000 each.

The Singer children, who received each \$4,000,000 are William Henry Singer, Jr., landscape painter, now in Norway; George Singer, iron manufacturer, Pittsburg; Mrs. William Ross Proctor, wife of an architect and Margaret Singer, young daughter, still at home.

Falls Head First into a Thresher. Tripping over some obstruction, Abraham Gulick plunged headfirst into the mechanism of a threshing machine near New Brunwick, N. J., and was killed. Gulick, who was a prosperous farmer, had volunteered to add his neighbor, John McDonald, to a crop of wheat. While feeding the grain into the machine he turned to look at McDonald, took a step forward, tripped and fell head first into the machine. The horse-drawn man working with him stood helplessly by. Slowly Gulick was drawn into the machine, screaming. He was crushed and torn beyond recognition.

Father Sees Son Cut in Two. Run down by a freight train at Harrison, Del., and cut in half before the eyes of his father, the seven-year-old son of Jacob Tibbett was instantly killed when he stepped out of the way of the Perryville train and on the track along which a local freight train was backing. The train struck the boy, and although the engineer had stopped the train before it went ten feet, the back wheels of the train cut across the boy, cutting in two at the waist. The father, who was running the locomotive of another train on a nearby track, saw the accident and fainted.

Big Find in Old Clothes. D. J. Blankenship, a farmer from Bedford county, Va., purchased here at the Norfolk & Western Railroad company's sale of unclaimed articles a package of clothing that once belonged to a soldier. He paid \$50 for it. On opening the bundle he found among other things a pair of trousers with \$100 in gold and two diamond earrings in the pockets. The diamonds are said to be worth a small fortune.

Mutilated Body Found On Railroad. The mutilated body of a young man, supposed to be a soldier, was found in the Altoona, Pa., railroad yards. He had evidently been struck by a passenger train while walking along the tracks. In his pocket was found a paper bearing the name of Andy Oberle and a pay check issued by the Snyder Steel company and payable at a Pittsburg bank. The man was about twenty-four years of age.

Admits Starting Forest Fire. William Harrison of Ruggles, near Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has been placed under arrest by the state police, and at a hearing was held in \$500 bail for starting a forest fire. The prisoner admitted his guilt, but said he built the fire to burn weeds on his farm. The fire started by Harrison has already caused a loss of thousands of dollars.

Forest Fire Loss of \$300,000. Reports received from Ashland, near Johnston, Pa., where a forest fire has been raging for several days, are to the effect that the fire is now under control. At Ashland 10,000,000 feet of logs were consumed, and at Arrow, nearby, 6,000,000 feet were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$300,000.

In a collision of Erie freight trains near Horseheads, four miles north of Elmira, N. Y., two men were killed and two were seriously injured.

RIVERS ARE DRY; FORESTS ABLAZE

Water Famine Menaces Many Towns in Several States.

THOUSANDS OF ACRES ABLAZE

Three Farm Houses Destroyed Near Wilkes-Barre—Fire Drawing Nearer to Oil Wells in Western Pennsylvania—10,000 Men Fighting Flames in New York and Farmers Suffering Heavy Loss—Several Villages in Wisconsin Destroyed By Fire.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 23.—Two farm houses are reported destroyed near Ruggles and one near Loyallville by forest fires, while several others are in danger. A large force of men is trying to save them and prevent the fire from spreading. By back-firing large tracts of land the fire fighters prevented the main fire from getting fuel to feed on in many places and have managed to keep it from spreading rapidly. There is still no indication of rain here, and the Susquehanna river is now far below the previous lowest water mark recorded since the valley was settled.

Fire Drawing Nearer to Oil Wells. Corry, Pa., Sept. 23.—The situation in the fire-swept districts of northwestern Pennsylvania is daily growing worse. In Warren county, between Selkirk and Grand Valley, near the Dunkirk, Allegheny Valley and Pittsburgh tract, in one spot more than 400 acres of brush and timberland are in flames, and gradually this fire is drawing nearer to oil wells. Should it gain a foothold among the oil wells nothing could stay its progress.

Coke Ovens Suspended. Morgantown, W. Va., Sept. 23.—On account of the scarcity of water all of the coke ovens in Decker's Creek valley have suspended, throwing nearly 1000 men out of work. More than 900 ovens are shut down on account of the drought. The Sabron plant of the American Sheet & Tin Plate company, employing 875 men, was forced to close several weeks ago and cannot resume until after heavy rains fall. Forest fires are raging in the Cheat mountains and are especially disastrous in the central part of the state.

New York Farmers Suffer Heavy Loss. Utica, N. Y., Sept. 23.—In the grip of the worst water famine in years, the agricultural interests of central and northern New York are facing a desperate situation. For more than two months little or no rain has fallen. The farmers have already sustained tremendous losses, and those will be greatly increased unless a heavy rain comes soon. The output of the dairy industry will be considerably decreased. Pastures are dry and probed, and wells and streams in many sections are exhausted. The potato and corn yield will be less than half a crop.

Fire Loss \$1,000,000 a Day. Washington, Sept. 23.—Dr. W. J. McGee, of the geological survey, who has returned to this city after a visit to the Adirondacks, states that a conservative estimate of the damage being done in that section by forest fires is \$1,000,000 a day.

10,000 Men Fighting Forest Fires. New York, Sept. 23.—Alarm is felt in many sections of the state because of the rapid and continual spread of the big forest fires that have been burning for many days in the Adirondacks. New fires are frequently reported, and according to dispatches dangerous fires are burning in at least a score of places, and a number of small towns are summer resort places are threatened. There are hundreds of small fires that may become dangerous. Probably 10,000 men are fighting the fires, but the flames have gotten so far beyond control that only a drizzling rain will stop them. The more extensive fires are reported in Warren, Saratoga and Essex counties. Rivers, creeks, wells and springs have run dry, which greatly handicaps the army of fire fighters.

Wisconsin Villages Burned. Rhinelander, Wis., Sept. 23.—Sattul, a settlement of half a dozen homes, three miles east of Rhinelander, was destroyed by fire. The settlers fled to Moena lake, where they are cared for. No loss of life has been reported. Rhinelander is now regarded as safe and the fires have been quieted by late rains. An unverified report from Ashland, Wis., says that the village of Mason is burning.

Captured a Live Sea Cow. Norfolk, Va., Sept. 23.—A live sea cow or manatee, weighing 1500 pounds, was hauled ashore at Ocean View in a seine. The fishermen succeeded in getting it alive into a pen, where it is being kept as a curiosity. It is said to be of the species found off the coast of Florida.

Steamer Wrecked; 110 Drowned. Seattle, Wash., Sept. 23.—A cable dispatch to the army signal corps confirms the total loss of the Star of Bengal on Coronation island. Twenty-seven were saved and 110 drowned, including nine whites.

Good For Billions. "I took two of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets last night, and I feel fifty per cent better than I have for weeks," says J. J. Firestone, of Allegan, Mich. "They are certainly a fine article for biliousness." For sale by Winslow Drug Co., Samples free.

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TAFT SCORES BRYAN

Asks President to Make Good Charges Against Haskell.

BRYAN CALLS FOR PROOFS

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THOUSANDS HONORABLE TREATMENT

Democratic Nominee in Indignant Telegram to Mr. Roosevelt Demanded That He Prove Haskell Was Connected With Oil Trust—Will Diamas Him As Treasurer of Democratic Campaign Fund if Accusation is Proved.

Detroit, Sept. 23.—The remarkable spectacle of a presidential candidate rebuking the chief executive of the nation for making statements deemed to be unjustified was witnessed when William J. Bryan in a telegram to President Roosevelt defended Governor Haskell of Oklahoma, treasurer of the Democratic national committee, against the charge that he had unwelcome connections with the Standard Oil company. Mr. Bryan serves notice on the president that as the candidate of the Democratic party "I shall not permit any responsible member of the Republican organization to misrepresent the Democratic party in the present campaign."

The telegram concludes with the statement that the Democratic party is making "an honest and honorable" fight in defense of its principles and policies. "And expects and will demand honorable treatment from those who are in charge of the Republican campaign."

In his telegram Mr. Bryan says: "In a statement given out by you you endorse a charge made against Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, to the effect that he was once in the employ of the Standard Oil company, and as such employee was connected with an attempt to bribe or influence Attorney General Monnet, of Ohio, to dismiss suits pending against the Standard Oil company. In endorsing this charge you attack the Democratic party and its candidate, saying that 'Governor Haskell stands high in the councils of Mr. Bryan and is the treasurer of his national campaign committee.' And you add that the publication of this correspondence not merely justifies in striking fashion the action of the administration, but also acts a curious side light on the attacks made upon the administration, both in the Denver convention which nominated Mr. Bryan and in the course of Mr. Bryan's campaign."

"Your charge is so serious that I cannot allow it to go unnoticed. Governor Haskell has denied that he was ever employed by the Standard Oil company in any capacity or was ever connected in any way whatever with it or with the transaction upon which your charge is based.

"Governor Haskell demanded an investigation at the time the charge was first made, offering to appear and testify, and he demands an investigation now. I agree with you that if Governor Haskell is guilty as charged, he is unfit to be connected with the Democratic national committee, and I am sure you will agree with me that if he is innocent he deserves to be exonerated from so damaging an accusation.

"As the selection of Governor Haskell as chairman of the committee on resolutions at Denver and also as treasurer of the Democratic national committee, had my approval and endorsement, I feel it my duty to demand an immediate investigation of a charge against him endorsed by the president of the United States. Your high position, as well as your sense of justice, would prevent your giving sanction and circulation to such a charge without proof, and I respectfully request therefore that you furnish my proof which you have in your possession, or if you have no proof, I request that you indicate a method by which the truth may be ascertained. Without consulting Mr. Haskell, I will agree that he will appear for investigation before any tribunal, public or private, which you may indicate, and I will further agree that his connection with the national committee and with this campaign shall cease in the event that the decision of such tribunal connects him in any way with this charge, or in case you after an investigation of the facts, say that you believe him guilty of the charges made.

"As the candidate of the Democratic party I shall not permit any responsible member of the Republican organization to misrepresent the attitude of the Democratic party in the present campaign. I have associated you to the extent of my ability in remedial measures which I deemed for the public good which you have undertaken; I have urged Democrats to support such measures and I have advocated more radical measures against private monopolies than either you or your party associates have been willing to undertake. The platform of the Democratic party is clear and specific on this subject, as on other subjects, while the platform of the Republican party is uncertain and evasive.

"The Democratic party is making an honest and honorable fight in defense of the principles and policies enunciated in its platform, and it expects and will demand fair play, honorable treatment from those who are in charge of the Republican campaign."

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