

Over One Hundred Lives Known to be Lost-Territory of Many Square Miles a Seething Mass of Flames-Over It Are Scattered Hundreds of Lumbermen And Prospectors-Property of Railroads, Including Bridges and Rolling Stock, Destroyed-Thousands Rendered Homeless.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Aug. 2 .- As a | ning at the end valley the danger is result of bush fires the town of Fernie, B. C., is wiped off the map as a child cleans a slate; Michel, 14 miles distant, is in flames and the fate of Hosmer, Olsen and Sparwood, intervening towns, is in doubt, they being cut off from all communication. Over 100 lives are known to have been lost 74 of them in Fernie. A territory of 100 square miles in extent is a sect mass of flames. Through it are scattered hundreds of lumbermen and prospectors, so that the actual loss of life will not be known for days. The property of the Canadian Pacific and Great Northern railways is destroyed, the bridges and rolling stock burned, so that it is impossible to enter or leave the burning area.

the burning area. The inhabitants of the towns have fied to open districts in the vicinity is the hope of safety. The railway companies have placed all available trains at their disposal and unless there is a change of wind within the next 24 hours the whole of the Crow's Nest Pass country will be left to the flames. There is no possibility of estimating the loss of life and property which will result for the flames are driven by a the loss of hie and property which will result, for the flames are driven by a half gale, making it impossible to put up a fight against their advance. The confagration is the greatest which has ever visited Canada and ranks on-ly with the San Francisco disaster. For the past month forest fires have been radius of the

been raging in the mountains of the Elk river valley country, but they have not been considered serious. Satur-day morning a heavy wind sprang up from the west and early in the after-noon the flames appeared over the crest of the mountains to the west of Fernie. This ran down the mountain side aru before the fire guard could be organ-ized had enterd the town. Within an hour the town was doomed and the inhabitants sought safety in flight, leav-ing their all behind them. All night and this morning the exodus continued, the destination being a small prairie in the valley three miles south of the town. At present 3,000 people are camped here in the open, their only or blankets, while a constant shower of sparks from the burning area keep failing through the pail of smoke by which they are surrounded. For a time communication with the towns to the east was kent open, but with to the east was kept open, but with

to the east was kept open, but with the burning of the bridges across the Elk river this way closed. The hills in all directions are a secthing mass of flames, cutting off every avenue of escape. The fire spread with unprecedented rapidity and it is feared that several parties who tried to get through the nase have been out to get through the pass have been cut

off. In Fernie the only buildings remaining are six small shacks on the banks of the Elk river, the offices of the Crow's Nest Coal company, and the Fikes Woodware house. The offices of the Canadian Pacific railroad and of the Canadian Pacific rainoad and the Great Northern are gone together with all rolling stock in the yards, the sleeping car Osceola being the only car left. One hundred cars of coke the property of the Great Northern, are gone and the stock piles of coal and coke, holding about half a million tons, are in flames. It is now feared that are in flames. It is now feared that the fire may get in the mines them-selves, several of which are open in the neighborhood. This will mean in-

acute THOUSANDS HOMELESS.

THOUSANDS HOMELESS. Fernic, B. C., Aug. 2.—Five thousand property valued at \$2,500,000 destroyed by the bush fire which got beyond con-trona standing in this city. The fire noon. Seventeen dwellings are all that remain standing in this city. The fire is still raging in all directions from Fernic, and in spite of the work of 200 men, who are fighting the flames, they continue to spread. The number of in-jured is believed to run over 100. Five families residing back from the town are completely surrounded by the fire, and no hope is expressed for their res-cue. It is reported that the Great Northern bridge at Hosmer, B. C., with 150 cars of coal and coke, are burning, the Elk lumber yard and mill having been totally destroyed. Relief trains have been sent from Cranbrook and adjoining towns, Nelson has been telephoned for assistance. The latest reports say that the fire is spreading to Coal Creek, a town of 1,400 in-butants. nabitants.

Cranbrook, B. C., Aug. 2.-W. Cars-well, assistant superintendent of the Great Northern railway, arrived here from Fernie. He made his way out at great risk. Half of the trip was made on a handcar and the balance on foot. Every stick of timber along the line is burned and not a living thing is left. The bodies of Peter Miller and Lot. Frailna, a section hand, have been brought in and several Italians have been found. Mr. and Mrs. Forester and 5 men had arrived at camp at Bells Siding, having been forced to give up their fight to save the Sparwood mill. Five members of the party succumbed. Starvation has been added to the ter-rors, When the people left their homes rors. When the people left their homes for the protection camps little or no provisions were taken and now there are some 6,000 on the prairies with

othing to eat. The mayor of Fernie has sent out a all for assistance which is being rap-

dly responded to. Ily responded to. From the border of the burning area o the destroyed towns there is no neans of communication except on oot or by mule teams. The bridges re out and the trains hemmed in by he burning forest. Distribution avers are being organized and these foot or the burning forest. Distribution rangers are being organized and these will ge through as soon as it is pos-sible. The Canadian Pacific railway line is open to Michel from the east and to Morrissey from the west, leaving a gap of 16 miles. Rough estimates place the financial loss at \$3,000,000 and the loss of life

at over 100.

FERNIE DESTROYED.

Winnipeg, Aug. 2.—At Fernie every building, except the coal company's of-fice and a few shacks, was totally destroyed. Fully 3,000 people are home-

stroyed. Fully 3,000 people are non-less. Cranbrook has been wired to forward all available provisions and a relief train is now traveling with aid. Bush fires are raging from Cranbrook to the Crowd's Nest. The wind is blow-ing a heavy gale and all available men are fighting the fire and west of Cran-brook it is under control. Telegraphic communication with Fer-nie and Michel is out. Four men lost their lives trying to save the huge Great Northern bridge lä-miles west of Michel, but it was totally destroyed. Two men from Sparwood were taken to the Michel hospital. It is thought Michel also is doomed as the fire is sweeping eastward down the Crow's Nest and unless the wind shifts the whole Crowing Nest counter will ha



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people they could carry up the line, fighting its way through sheets of flame before reaching a place of sufe-ty. Scores of familes were separated, husbands not knowing where their wives and children were, and in some instances members of the same families were in Computer for the same families vere in Cranbrook, Fernie and Hos-

were in Crambrook, Fernie and Hos-mer. The lowest estimate of the amount of the loss is placed at two and a half million dollars, and as nearly as can be ascertained the insurance carried will amount to something like one and one-half million dollars. Of the 7,000 nearly the has here hered nearder. people who had been housed yesterday, 3,000 have been taken away. It is es-timated by the committee appointed that there will be 3,500 who will have to be furnished with temporary shelter

CHICAGOANS INTERESTED.

CHICAGOANS INTERESTED. Chicago, Aug. 3.—The destruction by forest fires in the Crow's Nest dis-trict, British Columbia, directly af-fects a number of Chicagoans. Frederick B. Lynch, who was mana-ger of the presidential campaign for Gov. Johnson, of St. Paul, who lives in St. Paul, and O. W. Robertson, also of St. Paul, were in charge of an in-vestment of more than \$2,000,000 in the coal fields and lands of the dis-trict. It is feared that all of this may be lost. Several Chicagoans are concerned in the investment.

## DEMOCRATIC LEADERS TAKE LUNCHEON TOGETHER

New York, Aug. 2.—Col. Henry Wat-terson of Louisville, Ky., chalrman of the press committee of the Democratic autional committee, was a huncheon guest today of Norman E. Mack, the Democratic chairman. Other guests were Roger C. Sullivan, the Illinois member of the committee, Urey Woodson, the mational secretary, and Mrs. Mack, Mr. Mack does not believe in doing political work on Sunday, and he spent a free only consideration given campaign work related to the literary question, which was discussed to some extent with Col. Watterson and Mr. Sullivan, the latter finding it necessary to leave for Chi-caso this afternoon. Josephus Daniels of North Carolina, who will have active charge of the press work, is expected here soon, and Col. Watterson will awalt his coming. An appalling amount of mail is arriv-ing daily at the Hoffman House, ano Mr. Mack is imputent to get headquar-ters opened here and in Chicago in or-Like care of correspondence.

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tract With State Officials.

Cortelyou-Bryan Says it Ac-

centuates the Issue,

Washington, Aug. 1.--In a formal

opinion rendered by Atty.-Gen. Bona-

Miss Etta Tixley, sged 34, daughter of John Tixley, foreman of the Verdi Mill & Lumber company, was on the porch of the lumber office, located in the can-yon, when the water, fully 10 feet high, rushed against the building, catrying Miss Tixley with it beneath the floods. Luke Smith, au old timer, is reported to have lost his life also, but this can-not be confirmed.

A cloudburst occurring in Spanish can-yon near Steamboat Springs this after-noon caught several people in the rush of waters, but after battling desperate-ly they finally saved themselves. McM. Ross and James Burke were the most severely hurt, and their escape is considered mirculous. Much livestock, timber and ranch were destroyed.

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is negat for the others of any nation-al bank to enter into such an agree-ment as it contemplated by section four of the Oklahoma state banking act and that persistent and wilful action to this effect on the part of any such bank would be just cause for the forfeiture of its charter."

designated amount.

## BRYAN'S OPINION.

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 2.— Atty-Gen. Bonaparte's opinion delly-ered yesterday, holding it to be illegal for national banks of Oklahoma to con-tribute toward the guaranty fund for the protection of depositors of Okla-homa, or to avail themselves of the other privileges of the state banking act, was the subject of a good deal of discussion here today. Prominent Dem-ocrats of Lincoln freely averred that, following so closely on the heels of the

We spend 96 hours to cook it and cure it, to flake it and toast it.

calculable damage as the whole of the

At present the fire is following the crest of the mountain chain above crest of the mountain chain above Sparwood, eating down into the valleys on either idde. It is traveling at a tre-mendous rate and unless there is a change of wind will cross the boundary into Montana within the next 12 hours. There are thousands of mines and pros-pectors' claims in the track of the fire, all of which are in peril. A slight change of wind has occurred and Michel has been taken out of the more direct path. Fire fighting apparatus is of no avail for the air is filled with fragments of burning wood and sheets of flames seem to leap ahead of the conflagration as though the air liself is in flames. The heat is intense and many of the fire fighters have gone down ahoad of

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A correspondent at Michel wires as follows:

follows: There is now some hope of saving the business section of the town and every available man is on duty. Premier Campbell has arrived from the Spar-wood district on a hand car with three men, all of whom are badly burned. They made an attempt to save the property of the Sparwood Lumber com-pany half way between here and Fer-nie, but without avail. They were at one taken to the hospital, two of them in a precarious condition.

once taken to the hospital, two of them in a precarious condition. Mr. Forester, manager of the mill, with his wife and about 30 men, when last seen were trying to save the mill. M line of flames cut them off from excape to the cast and unless they have been able to get through to the week all are dead, for the country is like a furnace. On the way the party found the body of Peter Miller lying on the Canadian Pacific rallroad. He had succumbed to wounds received while trying to escape from the fire. while trying to escape from the fire. The bodies of four men were brought here by a Great Northern yard engine. These men had lost their lives trying to save the Great Northern bridge These men had lost their lives trying to save the Great Northera bridge ncross the Elk river 15 miles south of here. They had kept up the fight till their return was cut off and lost their lives in vain attempts. The Great Northern tried to open communication to the south but the destruction of two bridges has cut them off absolutely. Reports from Hosmer say that it has burned with great loss of life, but this lacks confirmation. A Canadian Pacific engine and train is being held in readmess here in case it is necessary to abandon the town and with communication open to the east there is not much danger of more These men had lost their lives trying to save the Great Northern bridge ncross the Elk river I5 miles south of here. They had kept up the fight till their return was cut off and lost their lives in vain attempts. The Great Northern tried to open communication to the south but the destruction of two bridges has cut them off absolutely. Reports from Hosmer say that it has burned with great loss of life, but this lacks confirmation. - A Canadian Pacific engine and train is being held in readiness here in case it is necessary to abandon the town and with communication open to the east there is not much danger of more loss of life here. There are 3,000 people here, many of whom are camping on a small plain north of the town, Eegin



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's Nest and unless the wind shifts Crow's Next and unless the wind shifts the whole Crow's Next country will be laid flat. Peter Campbell, who reached Michel, says the whole country between Cranbrook and Michel is a seething mass of flames. The body of Peter Miller was found on the Canadian Pa-cific track near Michel.

cific track near Michel. Homer, Elko, Sparkood, Olson and Cokato are reported to be completely destroyed by the fire. It is feared the loss of life is the greatest on the con-tinent since the San Francisco disaster. The Canadian Pacific railway is rush-ing relief trains with doctors, nurses, food and clothing to the destitute. A buildtin from Michel savs:

food and clothing to the destitute. A bulletin from Michel says: "This town is doomed unless the wind changes. Canadian Pacific railway is making up special trains to carry in-habitants to safety." W. W. Tuttle, mayor of Fernie, has wired Mayor Ashdown of Winnipeg for relief, saying there are 6,000 kome-

LAURIER ADVISED.

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 Ottawa, Ontario, Aug. 2.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier received the following telegram this evening from Cranbrook, B. C.: "Disastrous fire Kootenay valley.
 Fernle, Hosmer, Crow's Nest and other palces almost competiely burned. Not less than 5,000 people homeless. Cana-dian Pacific rallway carrying them to Elko and Cranbrook. Every effort is being made locally but these people are utterly without food or shelter.
 Fire covers 70 miles. Seventy lives lost Immediate relief required. Telegraph instructions at once. instructions at once. "THOMAS ROBERTS.

"J. P. King, M. P." "Liberal Observation. "J. P. King, M. P." The premier will consult with his col-leagues the first thing in the morning to see what action can be taken by the federal government.

LOSS OF LIFE MAY BE GREATER.

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Judge Taft Says in Boyhood at Home They Called Him "Willie," but

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Hot Springs, Va., Aug. 2.—"Just call me Mr. Taft, and if you drop into colloqualism, call me Bill."
This was Judge Taft's laughing reply today when granting audience to a number of newspaper men who had severally addressed him as Mr. Secretary, governor, judge and Mr. Taft.
T first got the name of Bill at Yale." continued Mr. Taft, replying to a question. "Before I went there I had been "Wille" in my house and among my Cincinnati boyhood friends. But when I got through school I was called 'Will' at home. My younger brother, Harry, however, never called me Willies after a happening one day at college.
"We roomed together on the top floor of Farnam hall, our room being just over the middle entrance. Harry was a freshman and I a juntor. He had gone out and forgotten to take with him a book he wanted, He came back to the entrance and, looking up on the outside, yelled 'Oh, Wille'." Well, in a second there was a head out of every one of the 400 windows, and it seemed to me as though every one yelled at once. At any rate, there was one long chorus of 'Oh, Wille'." That eured Harry. He has called me Bill ever since." Harry. He has called me Bill even

since." "How about the 400 students?" "How about the 400 students?" "Oh, they called me Bill just the same. You see, I weighed 200 then." Mr. and Mrs. Taft attended services at St. Luke's church today and listened to a sermon by Rev. Dr, John Scott. "Get up and eat, for the journey is too long for you." was the text from Second Kings from which Dr. Scott drew the lesson that frequent spiritual food was as necessary for the present-day Christian life as was the literal command to Elijah which he had quot-ed.

ed. Bart McCleary, second assistant post-master general and candidate for Con-gress, who has just returned from a review of the situation in Minnesota and Wisconsin, spent Sunday here. Mr. McCleary assured Mr. Taft that, in his opinion, the Republican situation in Minnesota is in excellent shape. It is his belief that Gov. Johnson will not be a candidate for re-election. In Wisconsin, Mr. McCleary says, he can see the good effect of the speech of acceptance already. The handling by Judge Taft of the railroad question, he says, has pleased the La Folletie wing

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#### PANAMA ELECTION.

Panania, Aug. 2.-The electoral campaign ended today when the electoral cam-paign ended today when the electoral coards met in the capitals of the seven provinces to elect a president, whose term will run from October of this year until 1912. Returns received to the present time from the provinces of Veragus. Corle, Solon and Panama show that the election of Senor Don los. Domingo de Obaldia, formerly min-ster to the United States, was unani-nous ocrats of Lincoln freely averted that, following so closely on the heels of the Standard Oil reversal in Chicago, and the contempt cases against the labor leaders in Washington, the opinion of the federal attorney-general still furth-er strengthens the Democratic party in the solitical campaign

the political campaign Mr. Bryan himself gave expression to the effect the opinion will have in the coming elections. "It accentuates the issue," said he,

"If accentuates the issue," said he, "and emphasizes the necessity of legis-lation framed from the standpoint of the depositor rather than from the standpoint of the banker." He would talk no further on the sub-ject, but said that he would give it liberal treatment in his forthcoming speech at Topeka, Kan., some time dur-ing the operate month

ing the present month.

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# CLOUDBURST AT VERDI, NEV.

#### Wall of Water Ten Feet High Struck Office, Drowning Young Woman.

Reno. Nev., Aug. 2.—A telephone mes-sage from Verdi. Nev., says a destruc-tive cloudburst visited that section be-tween 3 and 4 o'clock this afternoon in which one life was lost, while scores of livestock, cabins and u great quantity of logs were carried off.

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