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APPEAL FOR AIDWealthy Men of Yesterday Are  
Left Hungry and  
Homeless.

## DISASTER WITHOUT PARALLEL

Never in the History of Minnesota Has  
A Forest Fire So Completely  
Swept the Country.

Duluth, Minn., Sept. 6.—After destroying the town of Chisholm, on the Mesabian range, and burning over thousands of acres in St. Louis, Carleton and Itasca counties in Minnesota, and the northern portion of Douglas county, Wis., the many forest fires which have been raging in these districts have been checked today, and if the wind does not spring up again it is not likely that further damage will be done.

The strong wind which had driven the flames before it in many unburned and agricultural districts subsided this morning and the thousands of homeless people were given a chance to take possession of their belongings and prepare to leave the many burned farms and settlements and the once flourishing town of Chisholm, on the Mesabian range, 6 miles north of Duluth.

SAVED BY HEROIC EFFORT.  
The subsiding fire enabled the inhabitants of Buhl and Nashvauk to save those towns. Several buildings at the edge of Nashvauk were burned, but by valiant all-night work, the 1,000 miners and citizens prevented the flames from sweeping over the village. The town was entirely surrounded by a wall of fire, and its escape from obliteration was remarkable. There is little timber adjacent to Buhl, and although forest fires completely surrounded the village, the 900 inhabitants had only to extinguish the incipient flames started by falling brands to protect the village. Nashvauk is six miles south of Chisholm, and Buhl is seven miles to the east.

SCENE OF DESOLATION.  
Chisholm presents a scene of ruin and desolation. Blackened and smoking piles of charred wood, little heaps of gray ashes stirred by the breeze, scorched, gaunt skeletons of brick and mortar, all canopied with a dense pall of smoke, comprise what was one of the most flourishing towns on the Mesabian range. The only remaining buildings are the new \$125,000 high school, the grade school, the Catholic church, the Italian church and a dozen dwellings in the southernmost part of the town, which were saved by a few heroic fire fighters, who stuck to their posts in the face of the cyclonic onslaught of the flames and smoke.

ENORMOUS LOSSES.  
The damage to property is estimated at \$1,000,000, and the personal property of three-quarters of a million dollars, including the stocks of the merchants. E. A. Hibbing, insurance man, who had many policies on property in the destroyed town, estimates the insurance claim on receipt of a message from Chisholm merchants at \$500,000.

Hibbing, five miles west of Chisholm, forced accommodations to about 1,000 refugees from Chisholm last night, and is expected that 3,000 would be coming to sleep tonight. The Duluth, Mesabian and Northern started a car of tents from Duluth for Hibbing this afternoon on receipt of a message from Mayor Werick.

A thousand tents can be used and by tomorrow night a white city will have sprung up on the environs of Hibbing. The 1,000 refugees given beds in private homes and hotels last night, as most of Chisholm's population was too excited to seek a place to rest.

There are many destitute persons, men and women who were asked as well-to-do people without funds to buy a meal. In most instances these misfortunes are only temporary, as many will receive their insurance money. However, some merchants lost everything that they had except the clothes on their backs and there will be much suffering and financial embarrassment.

## THE GOVERNOR'S APPEAL.

It is needed at Once for Six Thousand Homeless People.  
St. Paul, Sept. 6.—Gov. Johnson today issued the following proclamation: "A great disaster has come to northern Minnesota. Chisholm, one of the splendid cities of the Mesabian range, has been totally destroyed by a destructive forest fire, which swept over a large portion of St. Louis county. Every home and business place of that community is burned and the people are suddenly rendered homeless. Their property, loss amounting to millions of dollars, and reports indicate also the total destruction of the mining locations of

Shenandoah, Hartley and Pillsbury. The total number of people rendered homeless will reach 12,000, and vast tracts of agricultural lands have also been devastated.

"This disaster is without parallel in the history of Minnesota, and in view of the appalling calamity, an appeal is made to the generosity of the people of Minnesota for liberal aid, and, owing to the great necessity, we ask that this assistance be as complete as possible."

To this end, I hereby appoint R. D. Haven, A. C. Weiss, Mille Bunnell, A. L. Ordean, A. J. Washburn and H. M. Payton of Duluth, and Martin H. Gosh of Hibbing, a general committee to receive and disburse contributions for the relief of the sufferers.

"I also appoint the mayors of the several cities and villages of the state as special commissioners to take charge of the work of organizing in their respective municipalities and to proceed immediately for the suffering of the afflicted be minimized."

JOHN A. JOHNSON,  
"Governor."

## PROBE MINE ACCIDENTS.

Pittsburg, Sept. 6.—Captain Arthur Desborough, member of the British explosive commission, arrived here tonight and joined in formal conference with Victor Waltheim, chief of the administration of Belgium mines and Karl Meissner, privy superior counselor of mines for Germany, who have been here for several days.

These European experts are here at the invitation of the United States government to help arrive at methods for the prevention of mine fatalities.

## STATEMENT BY MRS. RICE.

Omaha, Sept. 6.—Mrs. Abbie L. Rice, who has been detained at the city jail for three days in connection with the mysterious shooting of Dr. Frederick Rustin last Wednesday morning, tonight gave to Chief of Police Donahue and County Attorney English a long statement, in which, it is said, she clears up considerable of the mystery surrounding the shooting of the physician, and makes it an evident case of suicide.

## FUNERAL OF GEN. CORLESS.

Denver, Sept. 6.—The funeral of Brig. Gen. Augustus W. Corless, retired, who died here Thursday night after a long illness, was held from the family residence in this city today. Although the Sons of the American Revolution, the Loyal Legion and a number of other military societies were represented, there was no attempt at ostentation. General Corless was retired on April 23, 1904, after an exceptionally long and brilliant army career.

## LID FITS CLOSELY.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 6.—There was practically no relation between the liquor laws here today. As on last Sunday, the saloons and cafes were closed.

## TO RECOMMEND INCREASE OF THE STANDING ARMY

Washington, Sept. 6.—President Roosevelt in his final annual message to Congress, probably will recommend an increase in the numerical strength of the army to at least 100,000 men. At present the army is on a footing of 60,000, the number provided for in time of peace.

To the general staff it has become evident in the last two years that 60,000 men are too few properly to garrison the posts at which it is necessary to maintain an army force. The posts include the garrisons in the insular possessions of America. The law provides that the army may be increased to 100,000 men in time of need. This provision, in the opinion of military experts, is likely to prove a serious handicap to the army, as the absolute necessity should arise for a larger force.

It is pointed out that the recruiting of an army from 60,000 to 100,000 men would bring into the service an addition of two inexperienced to every three experienced soldier. The injection of so considerable a force of raw recruits, it is said by military officials, would detract seriously from the efficiency of the army.

It is also pointed out that a considerable force will be required to garrison the fortifications at Pearl harbor, in the Hawaiian islands. An immense amount of money is to be expended in the erection of the fortifications, and it is the opinion of army officials that a garrison of at least 2,000 men will have to be maintained there in order to protect the works and insure against invasion by a possible enemy. Just now there are approximately 10,000 Japanese in the Hawaiian islands.

In the remote event of a war between America and Japan and some other power with which Japan is on friendly terms, it would be impossible for the comparatively small force of United States troops in the Hawaiian islands to prevent the landing of arms and ammunition to supply the Japanese in the islands.

It is expected that the president will recommend in his message an increase in the army by the addition of at least five regiments of cavalry and several companies of coast artillery.

## A BURGLAR IN TOWN.

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TAFT IS READY  
TO TAKE STUMP

Rotund Candidate Leaves the  
Island to Begin Campaign  
Work.

## WILL START IN TWO WEEKS

National Committee Outlines Tour of  
Middle West States for the Per-  
sonally Conducted Campaign.

Middle Bass Island, O., Sept. 6.—William H. Taft will leave here tomorrow morning for the activities of his campaign. He has written the Republican national committee to arrange for him a speakingmaking itinerary and has suggested that the states of Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana and New York be included in any tour that may be decided on. Mr. Taft has also expressed the view that his stay in Cincinnati might be terminated as early as Sept. 21, thus permitting the extension of his services in the general political field to a period of nearly six weeks and make possible a trip from coast to coast.

## TAFT AROUSED.

The request of the candidate to be assigned speaking dates, coming as it does directly upon the visit here yesterday of National Chairman Hitchcock and his desire to hasten the time when he is to take to the road is regarded as showing his fixed determination to be personally in the fight wherever it may be the thickest, and also his determination that no doubt shall exist as to his attitude.

"I can't conceive of anything more depressing than to be denied participation in an active campaign, or to be kept quietly in one place, depending wholly upon necessarily fragmentary reports as to what is going on and as to what conditions are."

This was the recent summing up by Judge Taft of his personal feelings in the situation.

## LEAVES THE ISLAND.

The Taft party will leave here at 10 o'clock tomorrow on Commander Richardson's yacht Jesseamine for Port Clinton, the nearest shore port. There are automobiles will be taken for a 16-mile drive to Speagle Grove, near Fremont, where he is entertained at luncheon at the Hayes homestead, as the guests of Col. and Mrs. Webb Hayes. Sandusky will be reached by train before dark, where they will go to the home of Edward Marsh for the night. The trip to Cincinnati, which begins Tuesday afternoon, will be punctuated with at least 10 speeches from the rear platform of the train. Before leaving Sandusky, Mr. Taft will address the old soldiers and make a political speech at the local theater. When Tiffin is reached another speech will be delivered, and then on down the state, including Kenton, Bellefontaine, Urbana, Springfield and Dayton.

## SPEECHES WILL BE SHORT.

These speeches will necessarily be short, as the Taft car will be attached to the regular train on the Big Four, and no changes in the running time of the trains have been arranged, for Mr. Taft has not prepared the remarks he is to deliver on the trip and will in each instance speak extemporaneously. He will handle different topics of the campaign in different speeches.

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Middle West.

## GROWS SOMEWHAT SARCASTIC

He Says All Issues and Plans Adopted  
By Him Have Been Taken Up  
By Republicans.

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 6.—William J. Bryan left here at 4 o'clock today over the Rock Island railroad for Chicago, and thus began a three weeks' campaign tour, which will carry him into the middle west, the eastern states and back through the west into South Dakota before returning home.

Perhaps no recent news afforded the Democratic candidate for president so much interest as the announcement that Mr. Taft purposed making a campaign tour, which began a three weeks' campaign tour, which will carry him into the middle west, the eastern states and back through the west into South Dakota before returning home.

"I used to be bitterly denounced because I favored railroad regulation. Now that the president and Mr. Taft have brought that reform into popularity, I am no longer considered dangerous. I used to get a good deal of criticism because I favored tariff reform, but now tariff reform has become so urgent that Mr. Taft is willing to have a special session called immediately after inauguration to act on the subject. It used to be that when I talked about independent coinage for the Philippines I was told that the American flag never came down when it once went up. Now we have a Republican candidate for president who believes that the Philippines must ultimately have independence."

BOTH USE PHONOGRAPHS.

"But I have reason to rejoice over the fact that some of the things I have done are now viewed in a more favorable light. When I made some phonograph records in order that I might discuss political questions before more people, the Republican papers ridiculed me and called it undignified, but Mr. Taft has lifted the phonograph to an eminence by talking into it himself. "And now my greatest aim is to be made a virtue by imitation. Surely imitation is the sincerest form of flattery." When I went out campaigning in 1896 and 1900, they said other speeches will be delivered, and then on down the state, including Kenton, Bellefontaine, Urbana, Springfield and Dayton.

## MR. BRYAN WONDERS.

"They said in 1896, and in 1900, that I was scared when I made speeches from the rear-end of a train, and that the result showed that I had reason to be. I have been wondering whether this explanation would be given when Mr. Taft starts out and whether the result will be the same with him that it was with me. "It is hard for us to keep our patients from being infringed on this year. I am afraid they will try to raise a campaign fund by popular contributions next."

Mr. Bryan is due in Chicago in the morning at 10:40 o'clock, and he will proceed at once to the Auditorium Annex, where the Democratic headquarters are located, and there confer with Chairman Mack and the other of his political managers and advisers.

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