



The New York insurance superintendent has made public reports of the companies showing a net loss of the San Francisco disaster of \$132,823,067.

Five thousand people attended the funeral of Joseph Rodecap, a farmer living at Anderson, Ind. Mr. Rodecap weighed 460 pounds, his casket was three feet wide, twenty-eight inches deep and seven feet long. Ten men were required to carry the casket, and sixteen to lower it into the grave.

The Washington correspondent for the Chicago Record-Herald says that George L. Meyer, ambassador to Russia, is expected to be appointed secretary of the navy in a short time. Attorney General Moody plans to retire, and his place will be taken by Bonaparte.

John A. Cooke, former circuit court clerk at Chicago, has been convicted of conspiracy. The jury fixed his punishment at five years in the penitentiary and a fine of \$2,000.

Senator Dick of Ohio held a conference with President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay. In a newspaper interview the senator said "it would be practically impossible for the Sixtieth congress to revise the tariff."

The mayor at Havana, Cuba, and all the aldermen have resigned. Dispatches say that President Palma has long contemplated replacing the entire city government with new men.

Nebraska prohibitionists met at Lincoln, Neb., and nominated the following state ticket: Governor, Prof. H. T. Sutton, Bethany; lieutenant governor, J. D. Forsythe, Peru; railway commissioner, Dr. J. D. McCleary, Beatrice; E. A. Gerard, Monroe, and Samuel Lichty, Falls City; secretary of state, J. M. Bell, York; auditor, W. E. Nichol, Minden, treasurer, W. H. Maddox, Falls City; superintendent of public instruction, Bert Wilson, Humboldt; attorney general, J. D. Graves, Peru; commissioner public lands and buildings, Oscar Kent, Kenesaw.

A Washington dispatch to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, follows: Baron von Sternberg, ambassador of Germany to the United States, called

## Grip Pains

It would be utterly impossible to imagine anything more distressing than La Grippe pains. They are simply indescribable, and seem to be composed of all the misery sensations known. Yet they can be relieved, and in a very short time by taking

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at the state department this afternoon and had a talk with the acting secretary of state. The return of the baron indicates that the German government places the first importance upon its latest tariff move. The baron is understood to have informed the secretary that his government felt that it has gone as far as it can in the way of maintaining friendly and amicable trade relations with this country, and that, while there is no hostile intent in its present move, yet self-interest and the preservation of the newly created tariff system of the country make it necessary that the preferential treatment accorded to other nations which recently entered into treaties with Germany shall not be accorded the United States. The acting secretary of state could give Baron Sternberg no assurances as to what course this government would pursue. He explained that, under our system, the executive is powerless to make any trade concessions without the approval and formal action of congress. The call of the ambassador had two effects. One of these was to serve notice on the United States that the German emperor, after considering all phases of the question of our trade relations, had deliberately decided that Germany can enter into a commercial war with the United States, and will do so unless steps are taken by this government to give that country concessions. The other effect of the baron's visit is to make clear that the German emperor hopes to affect public sentiment in this country through the effect on our export trade to Germany during the summer, so that there will be a demand that congress, when it meets in the winter, will take up the tariff question and authorize some concessions in favor of the Germans. There is grave doubt whether the German plans will succeed. The predominant sentiment in both houses of congress last session was clearly of the standpat sort on the tariff question."

Charles F. Booher of Savannah, Mo., was nominated for congress in the Fourth Missouri district.

In a letter addressed to Mrs. L. A. Kinney of Peoria, Ill., William Loeb, secretary to the president, says that Mr. Roosevelt's determination not to be a candidate in 1908, is irrevocable.

A San Francisco dispatch to the Chicago Record-Herald follows: "It is estimated that the insurance companies will make a profit of \$25,000,000 from the policyholders in salvage. Experts who covered the burned area put the salvage total at \$8,000,000, yet the underwriters in discounting policies have made the figures \$33,000,000 or a profit to themselves of \$25,000,000. To support the charge of criminal conspiracy which the grand jury is trying to fix on the insurance brokers who have forced policyholders to accept compromise settlements a subpoena was called for today directing Prof. A. W. Whitney, the insurance expert of the university of California, to produce evidence of the settlements made. Prof. Whitney is in charge of the insurance bureau of the Merchants' exchange."

The ticket nominated by the Iowa republican state convention follows: For governor, Albert B. Cummins; lieutenant governor, Warren Garst; secretary of state, W. C. Hayward;

auditor of state, B. F. Carroll; treasurer of state, W. W. Morrow; attorney general, H. W. Byers; supreme judges, E. McLean and John C. Sherwin; superintendent of public instruction, John F. Riggs; clerk of supreme court, John C. Crockett; supreme court reporter, W. W. Cornwall; railroad commissioners, W. L. Eaton and David J. Palmer.

The New York democratic state convention has been called for Buffalo, September 15. The choice of the location is regarded as a Hearst victory.

E. A. Gage, son of Lyman A. Gage, former secretary of the treasury, committed suicide at Seattle, Wash., August 2.

Turbulent conditions in Russia continue, with mutinies in the Russian navy, and the czar has refused to approve the program of his premier and general disorder prevails. It is believed by many that armed uprisings will soon be the rule.

A riot occurred on board the Russian cruiser Bogatyr.

Employees of the electric lighting plant in St. Petersburg struck August 4. The city was in darkness for many hours.

The state law of New York, restricting the labor of women and children to ten hours a day and sixty hours a week in the factory, was declared void by Justice Olmstead. It was called class legislation.

Fire broke out in the international exposition at Milan, Italy, doing \$800,000 damages.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of Cleveland, Ohio, August 3 follows: "Judge Kennedy of the common pleas court today decided that Mayor Johnson was not guilty of contempt of court as charged, in connection with the tearing up of the tracks of the Cleveland Electric company last week in Fulton street. The court held that W. J. Springborn, director of public service, had violated the temporary injunction issued by Judge Ford in the case. Springborn was fined \$100 and costs. An application for a new trial was at once filed by the attorneys for Springborn."

Friends of Governor Cummins of Iowa are booming him for the republican nomination for president in 1908.

William H. Belcher, former mayor of Paterson, N. J., who recently surrendered, has been sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary.

The Michigan republican state convention adopted resolutions pledging the party to the direct nomination of United States senators.

On Saturday, July 28, Mr. Bryan was the guest at a reception given by the Irish club in London. T. P. O'Connor delivered the address of welcome to which Mr. Bryan replied, thanking the members of the club and dwelling on the important part played by the Irishmen in building up the United States.

An Associated Press cablegram under date of Cartagena, Spain, August 5, follows: "A terrible marine disaster occurred last evening off Cape Palos. The Italian steamship Sirio, from Genoa for Barcelona, Cadiz, Montevideo and Buenos Ayres, with about eight hundred persons on board, was wrecked off Hormigas island. Three hundred emigrants, most of them Italians and Spaniards, were drowned. The captain of the steamer committed

suicide. The bishop of San Pedro, Brazil, also was lost and it is reported that another bishop is among the missing. The remainder of the passengers and the officers and crew got away in the ship's boats or were rescued by means of boats sent to them from the shore. A number of fishermen who made attempts at rescue were drowned."

President Roosevelt will visit the Panama canal zone during the month of November.

The seventeenth annual convention of the trans-Mississippi commercial congress has been called to meet in Kansas City, Mo., November 20-23.

### "GRASS WIDOW" NOT SLANG

"She is a grass widow," said the professor, nodding in the direction of a lady with yellow hair.

"A 'grass' widow? Oh, professor, I didn't think you would use slang."

"'Grass' widow is not slang," said the professor stoutly. "It is, on the contrary, a very ancient and correct expression. It comes from the French 'grace.' It was originally written 'grace' widow. Its meaning is 'widow by courtesy.'"

"There is nothing slangy or disrespectful in the term 'grace widow.' A widow may call herself that with propriety, and with propriety anyone may call her that."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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Nebraska Independent, wk.....	1.00	1.25
Rocky Mountain News-Times, wk .....	1.00	1.60
Seattle Times, wk.....	1.00	1.35
Thrice-a-Week N. Y. World....	1.00	1.35
Commercial Appeal, wk.....	.50	1.00
World-Herald, twice-a-week....	1.00	1.25

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