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WEATHER.

Forecast for St. Louis and Vicinity—Showers and cooler Wednesday; Thursday generally fair.

The showers that were predicted for yesterday failed to materialize, but they are expected to precipitate to-day and clear the atmosphere for fair weather that is predicted by the Weather Bureau to follow to-morrow, accompanied with cooler weather.

Hourly temperature readings follow:

1 a. m.	73
2 a. m.	71
3 a. m.	70
4 a. m.	70
5 a. m.	69
6 a. m.	70
7 a. m.	71
8 a. m.	75
9 a. m.	77
10 a. m.	80
11 a. m.	81
12 noon	81
1 p. m.	81
2 p. m.	84
3 p. m.	86
4 p. m.	87
5 p. m.	85
6 p. m.	84
7 p. m.	82

Maximum temperature, 87 degrees; minimum, 69. Precipitation, none. Wind—Direction, south; velocity, eighteen miles an hour. Humidity, 90 per cent. Stage of the river, 13.5 feet.

Forecast by States.

WASHINGTON, August 11.—Forecast:

Missouri—Showers Wednesday; Thursday generally fair.

Indiana—Showers and cooler Wednesday and probably Thursday; fresh south winds, becoming north, Thursday.

Illinois—Showers and cooler Wednesday; Thursday generally fair; fresh south winds, shifting to north.

Iowa—Showers Wednesday; Thursday generally fair.

Nebraska—Showers Wednesday; Thursday generally fair.

Kansas and Oklahoma—Showers and cooler Wednesday; Thursday generally fair.

Arkansas—Showers and cooler Wednesday or Wednesday night and probably Thursday.

PARK CONCERT TO-NIGHT.
O'Fallon Park, 7 to 10 p. m.

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SUMMARY.

ST. LOUIS AND SUBURBS.

Grand jury begins investigations into alleged primary fraud cases, and Dave Ball confers with Sager.

Apple growers, in session here, declare lower grades of apples bring greater profits shipped in bulk.

Mrs. Henry G. Bischoff and 12-year-old son of Collinsville, Ill., burned to death in home in explosion.

Coffee company leases six-story building at Third and Vine streets for five years.

DOMESTIC.

Oklahoma's prohibition and dispensary law declared unconstitutional because it deals with more than one subject, which is specifically forbiden by the state constitution.

Lightning strikes Gen. Kerr's headquarters at the army camp at Fort Riley, stunning several soldier clerks.

Kentucky judge, accused of night riding, demands grand jury investigate his record.

POLITICAL.

Attorney General Hadley writes letter to David Ball regarding the primary frauds, and says he wil be glad to lend assistance.

Kern and Mack arrive in Lincoln for Bryan notification to-day.

Texas Republicans, in convention at Dalas, adjourn until to-day, after perfecting organization.

SPORTING.

Browns drop final game to Boston, 3 to 0, and lose series, 3 games to 1, as result.

Cardinals again lose at Boston, 2 to 0, and are on the way home, to open Thursday.

Forshaw given reception at Union Station on his return home from English Marathon.

RAILROADS.

Illinois manufacturers wil call upon managers of Western lines to place all cars in repair for handling the traffic of the fall.

Canadian Pacific management will bring over mechanics from England to take the places of the striking shopmen.

Hearing of the complaints against advance in freight rates will probably be set by the Interstate Commerce Commission for the last week in September.

FINANCE AND TRADE.

Local stock market was slow at about steady prices. New York stock market ruled active at declines of 1 to 2½ points.

December wheat advanced ⅞c; closed at 96⅝@96½c. December corn declined ¼c; closed at 61⅞c. Chicago—December wheat advanced ⅞c; closed at 96⅝c. December corn declined ½c; closed at 65¾c.

POSSE AFTER DEPOT ROBBERS

Night Operator Locked in Box Car While Office Is Rifled.

HAMMOND, IND., August 11.—Pursued by a posse headed by Sheriff A. S. Carter and a squad of railroad detectives from Huntington, three armed bandits who broke into the Erie Railroad station at Crown Point this morning, are fleeing through the woods east of Crown Point. F. C. Bore, the night operator, was receiving a message when a bullet whistled by his ear and lodged in the casement. He looked up and was confronted by three masked men. They robbed him of a quantity of money, ordered him to march before them to a box car on a siding and sealed him inside the car, where he was found later by the crew of a west-bound passenger train. The depot was robbed of $500 in cash and tickets. Earlier in the night the Grand Trunk depot at Griffith, six miles from Crown Point, was broken into and $200 worth of tickets and money stolen.

DUTCH ARE ARMING TO REPEL CASTRO

Cruiser Gelderland [illegible] with Rifles for [illegible] Islanders

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INSTALLING W[illegible]SS

Venezuelan Forces Embark Ostensibly for Campaign Against Rebel Band.

BATTLESHIP IS COMING

Hague Authorities Dispatch Jacob VonHeemskerts to Caribbean Waters.

SPECIAL CABLEGRAM TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

WILLEMSTAD, August 11.—Active preparations for war are being pushed with all possible rapidity by the colonial government. Most significant was the sailing of the cruiser Gelderland to-day with several thousand rifles and a heavy supply of ammunition for the Island of Aruba. It is the announced intention of the government to arm the islanders, who at present are without means of defense, and whose coast is especially vulnerable to investment by an invading force.

The movement is taken as an indication that has considerable weight is given reports that Venezuela is preparing per fortifications for active service and calling into service what few coastwise traders are under Castro sovereignty.

Installing Wireless Station.

A station for wireless telegraphy is being installed here. A letter received from Maracaibo announces that the Venezuelan river steamer Felix has left that port with troops for the head of Maracaibo Bay. While this force is ostensibly taking the field against a revolutionary band, the report has caused considerable speculation here.

Every indication points to a decision on the part of the government to forestall possible surprises. It is believed here that a decisive move, either by The Hague Government or Castro is inevitable in the near future.

SPECIAL CABLEGRAM TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

THE HAGUE, August 11.—The battle ship Heimskerk sailed to-day for Caribbean waters. It is also announced that the cruiser Friesland arrived to-day from Norway and probably will also be sent to some point within easy reach of Venezuela.

The only warship the Netherlands now has in the Caribbean is the cruiser Gelderland. This vessel's term of service has expired, and she will be relieved by the Jacob Van Heemskerk.

CONDEMN ALABAMA RIOTERS.

Mass Meeting Called in Effort to End Mine Strike.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., August 11.—For the purpose of condemning lawlessness in this district and indorsing the proclamation of the governor of Alabama, issued by him August 11, is the way the call for a monster mass meeting is put, the gathering to be held in Birmingham Wednesday afternoon. At this meeting drastic steps will be taken to put a stop to the strike.

Jefferson County was quiet to-day. The guard around the Jail at Centerville, in Bibb County, where the thirty-one men arrested in connection with the firing on a train Sunday near Blocton are confined, has been increased, rumors prevailing that an effort may be made to rescue the prisoners.

Vice President White of the Miner's Educational Association is still holding his conference with Alabama Member Fairley of the National Board. The statement was given out to-day that inasmuch as this fight meant the life and death of the union it could not be given up so easily.

TELLS STORY OF HER LIFE.

Mrs. Ione Choate Making Fight to Keep Daughter.

DES MOINES, IA., August 11.—For three hours to-day Ione Choate battled with shrewd lawyers employed by her husband, Fred M. Choate, to prove to Judge Miller that she was a proper person to care for their daughter, 5-year-old Mary Choate. She went over her life in detail from the time she was a country lassie, Ione Kempthorn, daughter of wealthy Judge Kempthorn of Hampton. She told a romantic tale of her love for Choate, which reached its zenith at the time of their marriage in New York City six years ago, but which has now turned to hatred.

The story described scenes in leading cities of the world and involved some of the best-known names of the United States and England, including Joseph H. Choate, American ambassador; Elihu Root, secretary of state; Gov. Francis of Missouri, and in a remote way President Roosevelt when vice president.

At the close of court Mrs. Choate's attorney made a secret proposition to Choate to settle the fight for the child, but it was refused, and the hearing will be continued in the morning.

Little Rock Girl Weds Chicagoan.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

LUDINGTON, MICH., August 11.—Dr. J. S. Hancock of Chicago and Miss Charlotee Lee Thompson of Little Rock, Ark., were married to-night at the summer home of E. G. Thompson, father of the bride, near this city. Dr. Hancock is a member of the South Shore Country and other Chicago clubs, and Miss Thompson has been prominent in Little Rock society. The couple left for a trip on the Great Lakes and will return to Chicago August 22 and be at home at the Del Prado Hotel.

Three Lose Lives in Storm.

EVANSVILE, IND., August 11.—Three persons lost their lives in the storm which swept this section yesterday afternoon. Two children of a fisherman were drowned and William Burgdorf, aged 13, a son of a farmer, was crushed by a collapsing building. The damage is estimated at $150,000.

HADLEY WILL LEND AID

ATTORNEY GENERAL WRITES LETTER TO BALL REGARDING PRIMARY FRAUDS.

TO UPHOLD HONEST BALLOT.

He Declares Political Considerations Must Be Put Aside in Fight for Clean Elections.

HERBERT S. HADLEY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

BOULDER, COLO., August 11.—I today maled Mr. Ball the letter whch I sed you herewnth for publicatio.

HERBERT S. HADLEY.

Boulder, Colo., August 11, 1908.—Hon. David A. Ball, St. Louis, Mo.: My Dear Sir—I am just in receipt of the St. Louis papers of Monday in which you are quoted as saying that it is your desire that I should assist "to ferret out the frauds committed at the primaries and see to it tha they are punished, no matter who is harmed by this action."

Under the laws of our state I am not a prosecuting officer and I have no authority to take part in any criminal proceedings or investigation unless specially directed by the governor to do so.

I beg to assure you, however, that I am in hearty sympathy with you in your desire to thoroughly investigate the manifest frauds that were committed in the recent primaries and to punish those who are responsible therefor. And although Mr. Sager and Mr. Kimbrell are able and experienced prosecutors, and men of unquestioned courage and integrity, I and my assistants will very gladly render them any assistance they may request or the governor may direct us to extend.

There can be no question of greater importance than the question of an honest ballot and a fair count, not only in the election, but also in the nomination of public officials. For twelve or fourteen years prior to 1904, fraud and intimidation had become so common in [illegible] in Kansas City and St. Louis that a republican form of government had at times ceased to exist in those municipalities. Since 1904 an improvement has taken place in the conduct of elections in cities, but the recent primaries, in so far as the vote for Democratic candidates is concerned, indicates that unless men like yourself have the courage and the honesty to lay aside political considerations and demand that every citizen, rich or poor, white or black, have the right to cast one vote and have that vote honestly counted as cast, we will witness a return to those conditions that once made our elections a disgrace to the State of Missouri.

Not only will I be glad to render any official assistance to maintain the honesty and integrity of our elections, but I will also gladly join with you and all other honest citizens, irrespective of party, to see that only those men are elected to office who will refuse to profit by election frauds and who won't hesitate to punish those responsible for such crimes. While I have seen no suggestion that there were any frauds in connection with the nomination of any Republican candidate, yet if any such claim is made it is my earnest desire that it be thoroughly investigated and all guilty parties punished. Very respectfully, yours,

HERBERT S. HADLEY,
Attorney General of Missouri.

BOLT HITS KERR'S TENT

HEADQUARTERS CLERKS ARE STUNNED BY LIGHTNING at FORT RILEY CAMP.

SOLDIERS GET DRENCHING.

Second Day of Maneuvers Devoted to Problems of Formations for Attack and Defense.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

JUNCTION CITY, KAN., August 11.—The second day of the maneuvers at Fort Riley was devoted to formations for attack and defense by squadrons and battalions. To-morrow the regular troops will have the same problem, but the work will be carried out by the three arms of the service. To-day the Kansas National Guard, the only organization of state troops in the camp, continued the work of establishing themselves in camp, and part of the time was taken up with drills. To-morrow the Kansas troops will continue their drills.

About 7 o'clock this evening a heavy rain began falling. During the storm the headquarters of Gen. J. B. Kerr, commanding the camp of instruction, was struck by lightning. Only soldier clerks were present when the bolt came down. Several were knocked down, and one was slightly burned. The water came down from the hills to the north of the camp in a great volume, and most of the tents were surrounded by 2 to 3 inches of water. The two regiments of the Kansas National Guard, which are in camp at the extreme east of the maneuver camp, were more fortunate. They are situated on a slope that carried the water off rapidly. To-night their camp is more comfortable than any other on Pawnee Flat.

TORNADO HITS MANDAN, N. D.

Buildings Unroofed and Damage Will Reach $50,000.

MANDAN, N. D., August 11.—A tornado struck Mandan last evening and caused damage to the extent of $50,000. One boy was picked up by the wind and carried three blocks. The roof of the Interocean Hotel was loosened and crashed into the dining room. The Domars Hotel was unroofed. Houses were tipped over and many windows shattered, but no fatalities occurred.

WRIGHT REMAINS IN AIR 3:44 MINUTES

Aeroplane Circles Field at 36-mile an Hour Speed.

HIS LONGEST FLIGHT

Inventor Expects Better Result with Each Day's Trial.

BALDWIN WINS PRAISE

Gen. Allen Declares His Balloon Will Be Accepted by Army.

LEMANS, FRANCE, August 11.—This evening Wilbur Wright of Dayton, Ohio, made the longest and most successful flight of the series of aeroplane trials which he is conducting here, remaining in the air three minutes and forty-four seconds. The machine circled the field three times at the rate of thirty-six miles an hour.

On passing the grand stand, Mr. Wright gracefully descended until within speaking distance of the spectators, who wildly applauded his exhibition of mastery over the aeroplane, after which he soared like a bird to new heights and continued his flight, until reaching the starting point, where he finally gently landed.

The extreme interest that is being taken in Mr. Wright's experiments was shown when a crowd of 3000, with many women among them, waited for hours until the aeroplanist should decide whether to take his machine out.

After the demonstration Mr. Wright said to the Associated Press: "My idea is to make longer and possibly higher flights daily. I am feeling out my machine."

Among the spectators to-day was J. C. McCoy, the American aeronaut, who was enthusiastic over the performance.

Baldwin's Trial Postponed.

WASHINGTON, August 11.—The official speed trial of Capt. Baldwin's dirigible balloon was again postponed to-day, but a preliminary speed trial was made with Mr. Curtiss and Capt. Baldwin on board. Capt. Baldwin again took a westerly course in order to become familiar with the official course lying in the direction of Falls Church. It is estimated an average speed of 18.7 miles was maintained.

There were a large number of spectators, including Secretary of War Luke E. Wright and James Allen, chief signal officer, present, but the Baldwin flights are becoming such an everyday occurrence that many of the army officers who have been in attendince heretofore were not present to-day. Greater interest seems to center in the aeroplanes to be tried at Fort Myer by the Wright brothers and A. M. Herring. The latter has requested an extension of thirty days in the time in which he is to deliver his machine, which will be granted. The Wright aeroplane is expected any day.

Balloon Will Be Accepted.

The Baldwin balloon will be accepted. "We are going to buy Baldwin's machine; we need it," said Gen. James Allen, chief signal officer, and yesterday he indicated that failure to comply with the speed requirements will not prevent the purchase of the airship. It is generally understood, therefore, that the speed and endurance trials will merely determine the price to be paid for the dirigible.

Before taking his dirigible up to-day Capt. Baldwin had Mr. Curtiss, who returned from Hammondsport this morning, make a thorough test of the motor. A speed of 470 revolutions per minute of the propeller was attained while the airship was in its place under the tent, but Mr. Curtiss did not permit the speed to exceed 400 revolutions while in the air. The four new carbureters were put in place, and a single throttle controls the flow of gasoline.

The airship remained aloft twenty-two minutes, and a distance of nearly five miles was covered. A side wind was encountered throughout the flight, and several times Capt. Baldwin had to tack much the same as teh master of a ship. An altitude of nearly 1000 feet was attained.

Secretary Wright expressed his pleasure at the showing made in to-day's flight, but said: "While these airships will be invaluable in time of war for scouting purposes, they will never revolutionize warfare."

British Expert on Zeppelin.

In replying to a question as to what he thought of the Zeppelin airship, Col.

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REAR ADMIRAL WHO WILL BE RETIRED ON AUGUST 18.

ROBLEY D. EVANS.

BRIDE OF THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION NOW ATTENDING BRYAN'S NOTIFICATION.

MRS. JOHN E. OSBORNE,
Wife of the former governor of Wyoming, who visited St. Louis friends some time ago.

LONG TREK SEEKING WORK

A PENNSYLVANIA FAMILY TRAMPS 1000 MILES, BUT FINDS NO EMPLOYMENT.

WHEELS BABY CARRIAGE.

Small Express Wagon Contains All Their Worldly Goods—Stranded at Pontiac, Ill.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

PONTIAC, ILL., August 11.—A record of walking over 1000 miles, accompanied by his wife, a 10-year-old son and a 15-months-old child, in quest of work, appears almost incredible, but such is the story of John Henry Porter of Red Bank, Pennsylvania.

Wheeling a baby carriage, and pushing a small express wagon, Porter and his family left Red Bank, Pa., on March 4, for the western part of the state, where he was informed work was plentiful. But on their arrival there they met with bitter disappointment, being notified that work was very scarce at that time. They inquired along the road for work, but their efforts were unavailable. Keeping up their courage, they proceeded westward through Ohio; but still unable to secure employment.

No Success in Chicago.

Still trusting for better success in the future, they trudged on, their route leading them to the city on the lakes, Chicago, but here again the family found keen disappointment, for after days and nights of dreary and unceasing efforts to secure work they were at last compelled to leave the city. Almost giving up hope, they tramped southward, striking the City of Joliet, where they learned that an electric road at Pontiac was building an extension. They grasped this ray of hope for work and proceeded here, arriving this morning. On reaching here another setback awaited Porter, for upon arriving he learned that work on the electric road had been suspended.

Relief Fund Started.

However, friends came to Porter's assistance, and, upon learning his story, directed him to a farmer living near this city, who had been advertising for a third man for over a month. With a light heart Porter tramped two miles with bright prospects of work at last. But fate still seems to pursue him, for, on his arrival at the farm, he was informed that the farmer had hired a man only an hour before Porter's arrival.

A daily paper has started a relief fund for Porter and his family, and it is hoped that he will soon have work. He stated to-day that they had walked the entire distance, never having been offered a lift during the entire route. He took with him, when leaving Red Bank, the baby carriage in which the 15-months-old baby was wheeled by the mother and a small express wagon, which Porter constructed, in which were all their worldly belongings.

THREE WOMEN DIE IN BLAZE.

Six More Leap Three Stories in Wheeling, W. Va.

WHEELING, W. VA., August 11.—Escaping gas in the building on South Eoff street, occupied by Mrs. J. S. Gavin as a millinery store and residence, caused a fire at 3:30 o'clock this morning, which resulted in the death of three persons and the possible fatal injury of one other, while six more were compelled to jump from the third-story windows to escape the fire. The dead: Clara Gavin, 27 years old; Marie Gavin, 29 years; Margaret Gavin, 21 years old. The injured: Mrs. J. S. Gavin, bruised and back injured; may die.

Duke Case in Jury's Hands.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 11.—Mrs. Alice Webb-Duke, divorced wife of Brodie L. Duke, millionaire tobacco merchant, was tried here to-day on a charge of having defrauded the Great Northern Hotel by worthless checks. The case was given to the jury late this afternoon, Judge Kersten of the Criminal Court instructing the jurors to bring in a sealed verdict to-morrow.

LINCOLN GAY IN COLORS

KERN AND MACK VANGUARD OF ARRIVALS FOR NOTIFICATION TO-DAY.

BOTH ARE VERY OPTIMISTIC.

Active Speaking Campaign for Bryan in Middle West, Is Conference Division.

FAIRVIEW, LINCOLN, NEB., August 11.—Bringing prophecies of Democratic victory to Mr. Bryan on the eve of his notification, John W. Kern, vice presidential candidate of the Democratic ticket, with Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and several other prominent Democrats were the vanguard of arivals to-day to attend the ceremonies here to-morrow.

Within a few minutes after their arrival Chairman Mack, Mr. Kern, Josephus Daniels, head of the Literary Bureau of the National Committee; Gov. John E. Osborne of Wyoming and John E. Lamb of Indiana were in an extended conference with Mr. Bryan at his home at Fairview on questions vitally affecting the conduct of the coming campaign. The conference was continued at a later hour to-night, following a dinner tendered to G. Humphrey O'Sullivan of Lowell, Mass., the newly elected secretary of the Notification Committee at the Lincoln Hotel by the Lincoln Typographical Union, at which Mr. Bryan was a guest.

Speeches in Middle West.

A general speaking campaign for Mr. Bryan in different parts of the country came up for consideration, but no definite dates, which would include a tour of the Middle West, were definitely decided upon. Reports received by the National Committee, however, were shown to Mr. Bryan and it was generally decided that in view of the situations disclosed in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and other Middle Western states, an active speaking campaign, in which Mr. Kern would take an equally prominent part should be waged in those state.

Regarding the campaign and the several conferences had with Mr. Bryan to-day and to-night, Chairman Mack said: "Ohio, Indiana and New York will go Democratic, and I have told Mr. Bryan that I consider Wisconsin as a debatable ground. Let me say to all Democrats that the Democratic campaign is making more than satisfactory progress."

Kern Confident of Victory.

John W. Kern has every confidence in the success of the Democratic ticket if every man does his duty. Speaking of the situation to-night, Mr. Kern said: "I have told Mr. Bryan that conditions are more than favorable, and, while it is too early to make predictions, it would seem to me from reports received from the most conservative sources that if every Democrat would lend his aid in this campaign, as I believe he will, the national ticket will be elected. This much I feel, that Indiana is safely in the Democratic column, and, while I have been but a few days in Iowa, I have learned sufficient to make me believe that Iowa is an extremely doubtful state."

During the rest of the week Mr. Bryan will engage himself with the consideration of the Democratic campaign text-book.

Lincoln Ablaze with Colors.

Workmen were busy most of the day and night decorating the business houses and homes of the city in honor of the notification of Mr. Bryan. The larger stores have hundreds of flags draped along each story, while banners droop from the windows. The Elks' Clubhouse was conspicuously draped in red, white and blue, while pictures of Mr. Bryan were on display in the windows.

At the Lincoln Hotel, where the Democratic headquarters are located, hundreds of yards of bunting have been used. About the portico was suspended a mammoth picture of William J. Bryan and in the lobby of the hotel was another. The City Hall also was appropriately decorated with flags and bunting. Pictures of Mr. Bryan were conspicuously displayed from the windows.

MOTHER AND SON BURNED TO DEATH

Collinsville Boy Loses Life Aiding Parent After Gasoline Explosion.

ANOTHER WOMAN HURT

Lad Eludes Rescuers and Runs Through Streets Screaming from Pain.

WHOLE TOWN GRIEVES

Wife and Stepson of Henry C. Bischoff Are Victims of Accident.

Mrs. Henry C. Bischoff, 35 years old, wife of a prominent soda and mineral water manufacturer of Collinsville, Ill., and her 12-year-old son, Howard Fischer, died last night as the result of burns received when a gasoline stove exploded in the kitchen of their home in the eastern part of the city. The accident happened shortly after noon. Mrs. Bischoff lived until 5:30 o'clock, when she passed away at the residence of Will Brighton on West Main stret. Her son, who was in the same house, died two hours after her. Mrs. Carrie Ryan, a sister-in-law, was overcome by smoke and burned in trying to rescue Mrs. Bischoff.

Mrs. Bischoff was ironing in the kitchen and used a small gasoline stove, which was on top of a gas range. It is supposed she attempted to refill the stove while it was burning, and this caused the explosion. When her son heard the noise he rushed into the kitchen from an adjoining rom and, in his fright, picked up a can filled with gasoline, which was leaking. In a second there was another explosion, and he ran from the house a mass of flames.

The residents heard the explosions, and the Volunteer Fire Department was summoned by the ringing of the town bell. The house was saved with loss only to the kitchen.

Boy Runs Through Street.

While the firemen were batling with the flames the boy ran a block on Seminary street, screaming from the pain of his burns. John Weathers made an attempt to stop him, but his hands slipped from the burning flesh. The boy was finally headed off at Eckert's drug store, at Main and Seminary streets, where Dr. John H. Siegel gave him temporary treatment. He was then removed to the home of Mrs. Lilly Van Arsdale, a sister-in-law of Mrs. Bischoff, who lives a block away. He was later removed to the Brighton home. Meantime Mrs. Bischoff was found unconscious in the kitchen by Charles Gronau, who lives across the street from the Bischoff home.

Woman Rescuer Overcome.

When the fire bell sounded Mrs. Carrie Ryan rushed from her home a short distance from the scene of the accident. She was met there by Charlos Gronau, who rushed through the flames, almost choked with the smoke, until he reached the kitchen. Mrs. Ryan followed him, and was overcome by the smoke and heat in the hallway.

While Gronau shouted to several persons to go to Mrs. Ryan's aid he went on to the kitchen and found Mrs. Bischoff unconscious, lying partially on the stove. Every stitch of her clothing was burned off. A blanket was wrapped around her and she was carried into the yard, where Doctors Siegel, Armbruster, Burroughs and Simms did what they could for her. There was little hope entertained for recovery from the outset, as her body was a mass of burns.

When attention could be given to Mrs. Ryan it was found that she was burned about the face and body. She was also overcome from grief at the accident. She is at her home in a serious condition.

Not in many years has Collinsville witnessed such an accident. The townfolks turned out en masse and volunteered to aid in any way possible.

While forcing a hose through a pane of glass John Reese, a fireman, sustained several small cuts on his wrist. He was given attention by one of the doctors on the scene.

The fire had gained headway, and the firemen had hard work to confine it to its place of origin. For a time it looked as though the blaze would spread to other buildings.

The Bischoff family is among the most prominent in Collinsville. Mrs. Bischoff's husban dis in partnership with Will Brighton, whose house was thrown open to him in his trouble.

Well Known and Popular.

Aside from being well known and popular in social circles, Mrs. Bischoff took an active interest in fraternal societies, being a member of the Pythian Sisters, Daughters of Pocahontas, Royal Neighbors and Modern Americans. She was a member of the Baptist Church, and belonged to several of the women's societies.

The boy, whose body was literally baked and whose eyes were burned from their sockets, was a great favorite with the townspeople. He was Mrs. Bischoff's son by a previous marriage.

Mytton and Lysaght Defeated.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., August 11.—Robert George of Buchanan County and W. H. Hambaugh of Atchison County were elected members of the Democratic State Committee at a meeting held at the Monroe Club this afternoon. James W. Mytton and T. J. Lysaght attempted to control the work of the committee by pooling their strength, but in the hot fight which followed both Mytton and Lysaght lost out.

Thirteenth District Democrats.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

DE SOTO, MO., August 11.—The Democratic Congressional Committee of the Thirteenth Congressional District met here to-day and selected N. A. Zimmerman of Fredericktown as chairman. F. W. Wells of Lutesville secretary and K. Stanton of St. Genevieve and W. R. Donnell, Jr., of Hillsboro as members of the State Committee.