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TENS OF THOUSANDS REPORTED DROWNED IN PARTS OF CHINA

Dispatches Reaching Hong Kong Tell of Heavy Losses in Three Provinces

MANY SECTIONS DEVASTATED Suffering Is Terrible According to Latest Stories Filtering Into U. S.

By Associated Press Hongkong, July 15.—Tens of thousands of natives are estimated to have been drowned by the floods in the Chinese provinces of Kwantung, Kwangsi and Kinangsi and the desolation in the devastated districts is terrible, according to the latest reports reaching here.

Washington, D. C., July 15.—Consul General Anderson, at Hongkong, reported to-day that Canton was isolated except to powerful steamers, thousands have been drowned and tens of thousands are taking refuge on high places. Thousands of houses have been burned. American mission property has either been damaged or destroyed and foreigners are taking refuge at the British consulate at Fu Chow. No Americans have been lost so far as is known.

American Foreign Trade Will Greatly Extend, Is Prediction of Pratt

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., July 15.—Bankers of the United States were warned to-day that they must prepare to handle the financial end of a wide American foreign trade by Dr. E. E. Pratt, chief of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, in a speech before the West Virginia Bankers' Association convention here to-day.

NO GAME TO-DAY The game at Island Park this afternoon was called off because of rain.



You May "Love the Cows and Chickens"

while spending your vacation days on the farm, but you will have plenty of time left to read your favorite paper from home.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled probably showers this afternoon or to-night and on Friday; continued warm.

WORK DAY AND NIGHT ON NEW C. V. BRIDGE

Expect to Finish One Half of Bridge From Shore to Shore by December 1

TO PUT ON 50 MORE MEN

Must Make Up For Time Lost Because of Recent Flood Stage

Work on the New Cumberland Valley Railroad bridge is being pushed ahead by night and in order to facilitate the operations a miniature electric lighting system has been installed on the big job.

By December 1, it is said, one-half of the bridge will be completed from shore to shore and in order to fulfill this part of the contract the Grayce Construction company will have to put two shifts, one day and one night, at work in the very near future.

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U. S. MAY NOT SEND REPLY TO AUSTRIA

Protest Sent at Request of Germany as Warning to America

Washington, July 15.—Austria's diplomatic representations that American exports of war munitions to the allies have attained dimensions endangering the neutrality of the United States have been under consideration at the State Department since July 11 and so far it has not been determined what reply, if any, the United States will make.

London, July 15.—A dispatch from Berlin by way of Amsterdam to the Exchange Telegraph Company to-day says: The Austro-Hungarian protest to America is a sequel to the recent conference at Vienna between Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German imperial chancellor, and Gottlieb Jagow, the former Foreign Minister, and Baron Stephen Burian von Rajecz, the Austrian-Hungarian Foreign Minister.

Bryan Announces Return to Lecture Platform

Long Beach, Cal., July 15.—William J. Bryan, in an address last night, announced his return to the lecture platform.

U. S. Gunboats to Do Rescue Work in China

Washington, D. C., July 15.—The American gunboats Wilmington and Callao of the Asiatic squadron, are being sent from Hong Kong to the scene of recent floods in China for "urgent rescue" work.

WELSH MINERS QUIT WORK

Cardiff, Wales, July 15.—Despite optimistic predictions that serious labor difficulties in the coal fields would be averted, virtually every mine in Wales was idle this morning, the day fixed for the beginning of the miners' strike for higher wages.

CAR STRIKE IN PROVIDENCE

Providence, R. I., July 15.—A reduced trolley car service was in effect in this city to-day as a result of the strike declared by 2,400 union employees of the Rhode Island Company at midnight.

NATIONAL LEAGUE PRESIDENT JOHN K. TENER SEES HARRISBURG INDIANS TRIM ROCHESTER HUSTLERS



THREE ARDENT FANS

John K. Tener, former Governor of Pennsylvania and now president of the National League, saw Harrisburg trim Rochester yesterday, score 6-2. "Big John" Tener's appearance on the island field was the signal for a great demonstration from the Harrisburg ball fans who learned to love the former Governor during his four years' residence in this city.

ARE YOU HELPING TO BUY ICE FOR POOR?

Many Mothers Unable to Keep Milk Pure For Babies, Says Charities Secretary

What are you doing for the suffering babies in this city whose mothers cannot afford to buy ice to keep the infant's milk sweet?

Hilton Denies He Will Resign as Alderman

Alderman Edward J. Hilton, of the Fourth ward, denied to-day the rumor that he was about to resign his office and that ex-Alderman Windsor would apply for the position to succeed him.

Honors For the Late Karl Bitter and J. W. Alexander

San Francisco, Cal., July 15.—The grand prize for oil paintings in the United States section of the Department of Fine Arts at the Panama Pacific Exposition has been awarded to Frederick Carl Frieseke, Owosso, Mich.

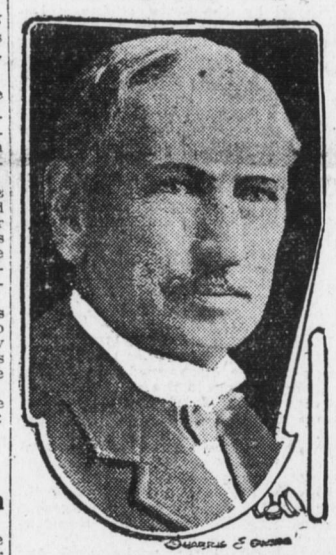
John W. Alexander was a Pittsburger and was given a contract to furnish some paintings for the capitol here. He died before he could complete his work.

Shoes to Be Built Along "Normal and Sane Lines"

New York, July 15.—As the result of a meeting of representatives of the National Shoe Retailers' Association, the National Boot and Shoe Manufacturers' Association, the National Shoe Wholesalers' Association and the National Last Association, a decree was issued to-day against the so-called freakish styling of women's shoes.

SENATOR BURTON TO REACH CITY AT 11.30

Special Committee Will Meet the Distinguished Visitor From Ohio



SENATOR BURTON

All plans for the visit of United States Senator Theodore E. Burton of Ohio to Harrisburg to-morrow as the guest of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce were completed to-day with the announcement of the special reception committee which will meet the distinguished visitor on his arrival at Union Station at 11:30 o'clock.

To Open Second Street Subway Monday Morning

Harrisburg's brand new subway in Second street will be thrown open to the traveling public Monday morning.

MAY BE ABLE TO PREVENT SPREAD OF CLOTHING STRIKE

New York, July 15.—With 21,000 workers on men's clothing on strike here, a meeting of committees representing the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America and the American Clothing Manufacturers' Association was called for to-day to prevent a spread of the strike to other cities throughout the country.

ELKS IN ANNUAL PARADE

Los Angeles, July 15.—The annual parade of Elks lodges was to bring to a climax to-day the entertainment and business of the 1915 reunion of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks here.

NEBRASKAN INCIDENT IS ALMOST CLOSED

Foreign Office Expresses Regret and Readiness to Make Reparation

Washington, D. C., July 15.—(German) in an official memorandum transmitted to-day from Berlin by Ambassador Gerard, admits that the American steamer Nebraska was torpedoed by a submarine, expresses regret and readiness to make reparation and assures the United States that the attack was "not meant for the American flag, but is to be considered an unfortunate incident."

Now Look What Saint Swithin's Went an' Done!

St. Swithin's Day, if thou dost rain. For forty days it will remain: St. Swithin's Day, if thou be fair, For forty days, 'twill rain no more.

GERMANS NUMBER 3,300

Berlin, July 15 (by wireless to Sayville).—The Overseas News Agency to-day says: "The conditions of the surrender of the German forces in South-west Africa make clear that the German troops numbered 24 officers and 3,304 men (a little more than one regular infantry regiment on a war footing), with 7 field pieces and 22 machine guns. This force was matched after prolonged warfare and terrible fatigues against 20,000 men."

ARCHBISHOP QUIGLEY BURIED

Chicago, July 15.—The body of Archbishop James Edward Quigley, who died in Rochester, N. Y., on Saturday, was buried with impressive ceremonies to-day. Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, and Monsignor Bonzano, of Washington, apostolic delegate, were among the noted Catholic dignitaries in attendance.

PATROL SYSTEM FOR ROAD REPAIRS IN PENNSYLVANIA

Most Important Announcement Since Creation of Highway Department

ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY Better Work at Lower Cost; Force Is Now Being Carefully Chosen

State Highway Commissioner Cunningham announced to-day that on August 1 the Patrol System of Maintenance would be established on State Highway routes. Caretakers will be employed and each man will be assigned to a designated section of highway, for the maintenance and repair of which he will be held responsible.

These men will be paid at the rate of from fifteen to twenty cents an hour, depending upon the scale of wages for labor in their districts. This will mean an annual expenditure of \$120,000 a year, which will figure down to a maintenance cost of \$65 a mile a year for the State Highways. When it is considered that maintenance charges heretofore have averaged one-half million dollars a year, the

MRS. DARLINGTON IMPROVES

The condition of Mrs. James Henry Darlington, wife of Bishop Darlington, who underwent an operation at St. Luke's Hospital, New York city, yesterday, was reported as greatly improved to-day and experts in attendance expect her speedy recovery.

PRISONERS TRANSFERRED

Berne, Switzerland, via Paris, July 14, 10:14 p. m.—A special train loaded with French prisoners of war, permanently disabled on their way home from Germany, passes here every night another special filled with similarly crippled Germans who are returning from France.

IN FLOOD SWEEP CITY

Harrisburg.—Fears are entertained, by relatives, for the safety of Miss E. M. Butler, sister of E. G. Butler, health officer of Steelton, who is in the heart of the flood swept district of Canton.

STREET CAR MEN GET INCREASE

Chicago, July 15.—A raise of three cents an hour in the pay of Chicago street car employes, announced to-day, will cost the company approximately \$1,170,000 a year.

London, July 15, 6:02 P. M.—A dispatch from Cardiff, by the Central News Agency says that the miners' conference by a vote of 180 to 113 decided not to accept the recommendation of their council to return to work.

Washington, July 15.—A train between Vera Cruz and Mexico City has been wrecked by a bomb near Apizaco. The explosion killed and wounded many persons. A cablegram from Vera Cruz to the State Department says it is uncertain whether the train left Vera Cruz July 12 or July 13.

New York, July 15.—The Lackawanna Steel Company announces the sale of 60,000 tons of steel rails to the Russian government for delivery in September.

Geneva, Switzerland, July 15, 11 A. M., via Paris, 2:15 P. M.—A report has reached Basel that a big strike is threatened at the Krupp works at Essen, Germany, the movement being headed by the Union of Metallurgical workmen and the association of mechanics. They demand higher wages.

New York, July 15.—An explosion to-day wrecked a big grain elevator in Weehawken, across the Hudson river from New York and severely injured a half dozen men who were working there. The police are investigating.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., July 15.—President Judge Charles E. Rice, of the State Superior Court, who has been ill at his home here suffered a relapse to-day. His physicians announce that his condition is critical.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Frederick William Schmiedel and Anna Margaret Kost, city. Frederick John Yestadt, Allentown, and Emma Josephine Spear, Pittsburg.

GERMANS PLAN DRIVE ON POLISH CAPITAL

Kaiser's Forces Are Again Active in Region North of Warsaw

RUSSIAN LINE HAS RETIRED

Great Britain's Coal Strike Problem Acute; 150,000 Men Quit Work

German forces again are active in the region of Warsaw, causing military observers to believe that a drive at the Polish capital from that direction may be imminent.

The Russian admit a German offensive has begun in one section where a Russian force retired to its second line positions. Apparently the same operations, however, were included in the most recent German official statement as resulting in "local successes."

The German drive at the French lines in the Argonne forest region has been followed by attempts on the part of the French to regain lost ground.

A German submarine sank the Norwegian steamer Rym. One of the merchantmen's engineers was killed. The rest of the crew was saved.

Great Britain's coal strike problem continues acute, 150,000 miners having gone out despite the prohibitions of the war munitions act.

Paris, July 15.—Forty aged men and women, many of them paralytics arrived here this morning from Neuve Eglise (Nieuwakerke) Flanders, where they had hidden in cellars for a week to escape a German bombardment. They were attended by nuns.