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OVER 2000 PERSONS THOUGHT TO HAVE PERISHED IN CHILE

Dispatch from La Pas, Bolivia, States that 2000 Lives, were Lost at Valparaiso and Near 275 at Other Places as Result of Earthquake.

Special Corps Organized to Pull Down Tottering Buildings. Escaped Prisoners to Great Robbery. President Roosevelt's Letter of Sympathy Appreciated.

By Associated Press. Buenos Ayres, Aug. 21.—The Nation, publishes a special despatch from La Pas, Bolivia, announcing that 2,000 persons lost their lives as a result of the earthquake shocks and fires at Valparaiso, and that 170 deaths from the same cause occurred at Lima, 40 at Quillota, 35 at Conchalí, 11 at Petaroa, 9 at La Placilla and six at La Calera. Sunday there was a strong convulsion at Valparaiso which produced a further panic.

President Roosevelt's messages of sympathy with the Chilean people were most gratefully received by the government and the people and messages of sincere thanks were cabled to Washington by the Chilean president. The authorities at Valparaiso are organizing distributing centers where food and medicine will be served to earthquake sufferers. The latter are displaying exemplary patriotism and courage.

Large parties of convicts who escaped from the prisons have been committing robberies and other crimes at Valparaiso, Casablanca, and Vina Del Mar, but the majority of them have been captured and summarily dealt with. Upwards of 50 have been publicly shot.

Buildings Pulled Down.
Santiago, Aug. 21.—Only now can the seriousness of the catastrophe begin to be appreciated. The greater part of the modern houses here are unsafe for habitation and the authorities have organized a special corps to pull down the tottering buildings. In most of the streets it is unsafe to walk on the pavement owing to the falling debris.

Santiago resembles a camp. The public squares and principal avenues are crowded with people sleeping in the open. All kinds of carriages and carts have been requisitioned to sleep in, or even under them.

Nothing definite appears to be known regarding the number of lives lost as the result of the earthquake and fires at Valparaiso. The authorities there only mention having taken 16 bodies from the ruins, though they add that the number of injured is very great.

Another Earthquake.
Lima, Peru, August 21.—There was another heavy earthquake shock at Valparaiso Monday night. According to the latest reports from the scene of the earthquake the town of Quillota, 26 miles from Valparaiso, and having a population of 10,000 has been completely destroyed.

At Lima this morning there was a slight shock and Huacho was shaken by the earthquake yesterday.

FAVOR SPEAKER CANNON.

Speaker Cannon to Receive Endorsement as Republican Presidential Candidate.

By Associated Press. Springfield, Ill., Aug. 21.—Before the Republican State Convention met to name candidates for Secretary of State, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and three trustees for the State University, it was expected that Speaker Cannon would receive the emphatic endorsement as the Republican Presidential candidate and Senator Cullom would be endorsed for re-election to the United States Senate.

The resolutions will give the Roosevelt administration strong endorsement.

TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES.

Strong Fight Between Sullivan Faction and Bryanites.

By Associated Press. Peoria, Aug. 21.—The Democratic state convention met for the purpose of nominating candidates for state treasurer, state superintendent of public instruction and for three trustees of the University of Illinois. In reality, however, the convention was more a fight for control of the state party machinery between the factions headed by National Committeeman Sullivan and the immediate followers of Mr. Bryan.

Both sides predicted success.

RACIAL FEELING EXISTED.

Trouble Between Negro Troops and Citizens Was Because of Racial Feeling.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Aug. 21.—Major Blockson reports to the War Department that the trouble between the negro troops and the citizens of Brownsville, Texas, is due to racial feeling. The people did not desire colored troops, and showed they thought them inferior socially by certain slights, and the denial of privileges at public bars, etc., which the soldiers resented.

INSURRECTION BEGAN.

When General Bandera Left With Armed Forces, Insurrection Followed.

By Associated Press. Havana, Aug. 21.—An insurrection began last night in Havana Province when General Quindo Bandera, negro, who distinguished himself in the war for independence left Arroyo Arenas, 12 miles west of Havana with a force estimated at over 20 men which it is believed was largely augmented by a band armed with guns and ammunition which set out for Havana. Fifty rural guards from Havana and 100 from Santa Clara were sent to Pinar Del Rio today.

The Senate and House meet this afternoon, informally but secretly, to consider the situation.

Rural Guards Arrive.
A detachment of 300 rural guards arrived from Central Cuba and proceeded to the Province of Pinar Del Rio where they will reinforce the rural guards operating against the insurgents.

Price of Meat Raised.
There have been a number of exciting scenes around the public slaughter house and meat market here on account of the increase in the price of meat. The troops had to be called upon to restore order. Later a movement was started among the people not to buy any meat until the price was reduced. This caused the mayor to take steps to punish the butchers. He established meat depots in various parts of city and the meat will be sold to the people at the regular price. The prices of all articles of food have gone up, but the action of the mayor is likely to prevent any further extortion.

A Feeling of Alarm.
Havana, Aug. 21.—The Cuban government has been positively informed that General Jose Miguel Gomez, who was a candidate for the presidency, has left the province of Santa Clara, accompanied by a band of insurgents and orders have been issued to arrest him. His secretary was arrested last night. Many people are coming into Havana fearing to remain in the country.

The authorities are endeavoring to prevail upon the young men to volunteer for service in the rural guards.

Despatches from Pinar Del Rio say the feeling of alarm, as the result of the insurrection is increasing.

RAILWAY MEN MEET.

Representatives of Railway Conductors' Association of S. A. L. Meet.

By Associated Press. Norfolk, Va., Aug. 21.—Representatives of the Railway Conductors' Association of the Southeast met at Jacksonville, Jacksonville, Savannah, Atlanta, Americus, Monroe and Hamlet, are in session behind closed doors in Portsmouth, preparing a new wage scale and rules, governing conductors, which probably will be presented to President Walter Loomer. The conductors will ask an increase in wages but the amount is not announced.

COUNTY LOCAL OPTION.

Occupies Centre of Stage Among Democratic Forces.

By Associated Press. Columbus, O., Aug. 21.—The county local option has the centre of the stage, preliminary to the meeting of the Democratic State Convention tonight and the prospects seem to be very good for a fight on the floor of the convention over the subject. The decision will probably rest with the county delegates who began to appear today and their position is unknown.

A FATAL EXPLOSION.

Three Men Killed, 11 Others Injured in Fatal Blow Out of Gas.

By Associated Press. Pittsburg, Aug. 21.—Three men are dead, two in serious condition and nine others injured as a result of the blow out of accumulated gas at the Eliza furnaces of Jones and Laughlin's steel company.

Misses Sallie and Lottie Bixby are visiting Dr. Crowell at Cornwell, S. C.

TO RAISE FUNDS FOR SUFFERERS

American Red Cross to Receive Funds for Relief of Earthquake Sufferers and Send Direct to Valparaiso. How Funds will be Sent.

By Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 21.—Funds for the relief of the earthquake sufferers in Chile will be received by the American Red Cross and sent to Valparaiso and other stricken cities for distribution through the American diplomatic and consular representatives in that country.

The National Secretary Magee sent dispatches to the presidents of 26 State branches of the organization asking them to issue appeals for Chilean relief funds.

Charles Hallman Keep, the National Treasurer of the American Red Cross, of Washington, will receive contributions from persons living in the states which have no red cross organizations.



ONE WHO CAN SYMPATHIZE WITH HER



NOT MUCH DANGER OF AN OUTBREAK

BRYAN WILL PROBABLY COME.

Delegation of 200 to Go to New York to Urge Him to Come to State Fair.

Special to The News. Raleigh, August 21.—Secretary J. E. Pogue of the North Carolina State Fair Association says there is every indication now that an effort will be made to induce William Jennings Bryan to come to Raleigh as the guest of honor for the state fair in October will be successful. A delegation of not less than two hundred of the foremost citizens of the state will go to New York for the reception and the matter of the visit to Raleigh will be urged upon the distinguished politician. Preparations for the fair are well under way. Very considerable improvements are being made in the buildings and grounds including a system of water works that has been badly needed for many years. A number of counties have signified their intention to have county exhibits and entries and applications already in hand assure the most complete and attractive display in the history of the state fair.

WILL URGE NAME OF MR. TOMPKINS

Persistent Rumor that the Name of Mr. D. A. Tompkins will be Presented as Dr. Brevard's Successor on the City Water Commission.

The most important action to be taken at the next meeting of the Board of Aldermen will be the election of Dr. R. J. Brevard's successor on the board of Water Commissioners. This meeting will be held the first Monday night in September. The public is manifesting a great deal of concern in this election, and await with keen interest final action in the matter.

From conversations heard on the corners the friends of Mr. D. A. Tompkins will urge vigorously for his election. His disposition in the matter has not yet been ascertained, but it is undeniable that a concerted effort is being made to push this prominent citizen into the position.

From another source comes the information that Dr. I. W. Faison's name will be presented to the Aldermen. Dr. Faison is now a member of the aldermanic body and has manifested a great deal of interest in the welfare of the city. His friends think that his services are needed on the board of Water Commissioners, and are in consequence making a strong fight for his election.

While the election is yet a matter of mere conjecture, it seems that the sentiment among the members of the Board of Aldermen favors the naming of Mr. Tompkins for the present vacancy.

SEVERELY SHOCKED.

Mr. A. Lee Receives Electric Current and Disabled—Capt. Currie Recovered—Mr. Leyburn Ill.

Special to The News. Durham, Aug. 21.—Mr. A. Lee, a prominent druggist of this city, received a severe electric shock yesterday afternoon, and remained in an unconscious state for some time. He made an attempt to turn out the light and two of his fingers became entangled in the wire. The current went through his body, and he was thrown to the ceiling and received a severe fall. Physicians summoned said that he would have been instantly killed had he touched the wire with his other three fingers. He has partially recovered from the shock and will be able to be out in a few days.

Capt. Thomas Currie, well known through the state as one of the oldest conductors on the Norfolk and Western, has recovered from his injuries received at Roanoke, in which he narrowly escaped death. Capt. Currie was struck by a switch engine and at first his condition was thought to be serious, the engine having struck and threw him some distance and had he fell on the track it would have been instant death. He was brought to Durham this morning and will be able to make his run in a few days.

Rev. E. R. Leyburn, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in this city was carried to Johns Hopkins Hospital yesterday afternoon where he will undergo a difficult operation. Mr. Leyburn returned last week from a vacation to Maryland, and has been ill since his return, suffering from tumor. He is a graduate of Davidson College, and has been pastor in this city a year or more.

SHOT IN THE LEGS.

Julius Murray Tried to Do the Town But Was Shot By Police.

Special The News. Wadesboro, Aug. 21.—Julius Murray, white, attempted to paint the town red last night and had to be shot in the legs before he would be taken.

Policeman Hartee Graves undertook to arrest Murray, but Murray drew his gun and told the police to stand back. Chief Bennett secured a gun and ordered Murray to stand back and give up his gun. Murray refused when the chief fired at his legs filling them with shot. Murray then ran off but afterwards came back home, and was arrested this morning.

ASSASSINS ARRESTED.

Assassins of Milbourne and Thurston, two Americans employed as collectors in the Dominican Custom House Service, have been arrested in Hayti, their extradition is demanded by the Dominican government.

HEARING FOR PUBLISHERS.

Book Publishers New Before the State Book Commission—The Telephone Wrangle—Mr. Biggs' Successor.

Special The News. Raleigh, Aug. 21.—Raleigh Merchants are still wrestling with curse of a triple telephone service—three separate local exchanges. There was a special meeting of the Merchants Association last night called especially for taking action looking to the adoption of one company for the local service. After a general discussion of the situation there was a long distance message from parties interested asking that final action be deferred until Tuesday, Aug. 28, and the request was complied with. No statement was made as to what additional proposition is pending. It is reasonably certain, however, that there is not a proposition for a fourth company. It looks now like the citizens generally will demand that the Southern Bell be retained with some satisfactory assurance that excessive rates will not be charged when they get the exclusive field as the Bell Company have a long distance service which the people of this city cannot afford to be deprived of or to have cut out of their residences or places of business.

The question of who will succeed J. Crawford Biggs as Supreme Court reporter after he goes on the Superior Court bench next year is looming up now as the date for the convening of the fall term of the Supreme Court approaches. It will probably be some time after the court convenes before the election of Mr. Biggs' successor is held. Already there are numerous candidates. Among the Raleigh lawyers who are aspirants are Perrin Busbee, R. L. Gray, A. J. Field, and others. It is probable also that J. L. Sewall, assistant clerk of the supreme court, will be a candidate? He was in the race a year ago when Mr. Biggs was elected. Mr. Geo. P. Pell, of Winston-Salem is in the race and will be a strong candidate. He was clerk to the code commission in the recent codification of North Carolina laws and did especially creditable work in that connection.

CANDIDATES SCRAP.

Prohibition Candidates Engage in Heated Fisticuff.

Special The News. Greenville, C. C., Aug. 21.—At the State campaign meeting here today the prohibition candidates for Governor got into a difficulty which wound up with a fisticuff.

Mr. Brunson made some remarks about Jones being a crazy ass in a tar bucket. Jones advanced on Brunson and struck him in the face. A police officer in the crowd came out and seized Jones, and the crowd cried out "jail him." There was also much feeling in the speeches of Wilker and Jones, rival candidates for Comptroller General.

TORNADO PLAYS HAVOC

Eight Farmers and Hundreds of Cattle Killed.

Tunis, Aug. 21.—A violent tornado accompanied by a terrific hail storm and lightning killed eight farmers and hundreds of head of cattle.

Dividend Declared.
New York, Aug. 21.—The Republic Iron and Steel dividend of 1 1/2 per cent and an extra dividend of 2 per cent on preferred stock. The extra dividend payment is on account of deferred dividends, and leaves six per cent still due.

A CORRECTION.

The collection at the First Baptist church Sunday morning to defray the expenses of improvements which are being made on the Sunday school room amounted to \$5,218. By an error it was stated in yesterday's News that the amount was \$218. The mistake as made in the type-setting department and failed to be corrected in the proof.

RAILWAY CLERKS MEET.

Brotherhood Held a Meeting Yesterday in Wilmington—Wilmington Gun Club Shoot.

Wilmington, Aug. 21.—The South Atlantic Division of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks held a quarterly convention in this city yesterday. Representatives from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and Florida were in attendance upon the meeting, there being present in all about 150 delegates. This Brotherhood of Railway Clerks is composed of men employed in the general offices and freight offices of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad company in the states named above. The purpose of this organization is to bring the members of the Brotherhood into closer touch with each other and with this end in view various plans were submitted and discussed. Much interest was taken in the proceedings by those who were present and many valuable suggestions were offered relative to the management of the association. The next convention will be held in Charleston, S. C. in December.

The members of the Wilmington Gun Club will hold a state tournament here beginning tomorrow. The tournament will continue for two days and there will be about \$800 in prizes to be distributed among the winners of various events. Professional shots will not be allowed from the tournament but they will not be allowed to participate only under certain instructions, handicaps being placed against them in most of the events for which large prizes are offered. In addition to the members of the local organization representatives from the following places will be present at the tournament: Va., and Charlotte, Durham, Wilson, Rocky Mount, Tarboro, Greenville, Greensboro and other points in the state have signified their intention to be present at the tournament.

Mr. David B. Oglesby, of New Bern, and Miss Bertha G. Pinner, of Southport, were married here today by Rev. J. W. Watson. They will make their home at New Bern, where the groom is prominently connected.

AFTER THE BLIND TIGERS.

Court Has Rounded Up Good Lot of Offenders—Cases Disposed of Today.

The criminal court now in session is paying its compliments to a considerable number of those wary animals known as "blind tigers" and a look at the court records will show that some pretty heavy sentences have been pronounced in these cases since the opening of court a week ago.

There have been several of these that were sentenced in the afternoon, and which have escaped the reporter, but these with those that have been printed will show a long list of these lawbreakers who have received justice at the hands of the court.

A full record of all cases for the past 24 hours is found below:

Arthur McCright and Joe Miller, affray, first fined \$5 and half costs, second \$10 and half costs.

John Hawk, Keen Bailey and C. R. Polk, affray. Charged with costs.

Jno. Massey and Jeff McLellan, affray. Fined \$25 each and costs.

Henry Johnson, retailing. Costs \$27.00.

Chas. B. Kimball, retailing. Continued.

Clarence Alexander, carrying concealed weapons. Sentenced to 12 months on the roads.

John Barber, retailing. Fined \$50 and costs.

Robert Watkins, retailing. Not guilty.

John Harris, larceny. Case not yet completed.

Carey Alexander, Will Jones, gambling, each to pay half costs.

Henry Whitesides, carrying concealed weapon. Fined \$10 and costs.

Randolph Pettus, retailing. Charged with costs. Bond of \$100 required for appearance.

GENERAL GUILLITO AT HEAD OF 900

Revolutionists will Join Troops of General Navarro and Make Attack on Monte Christi. War Expected.

By Associated Press. Cape Prater, Hayti, Aug. 21.—The advisers from Santo Domingo, say General Guellito, at the head of 900 revolutionists, will join the troops of General Navarro and make an attack upon Monte Christi. The government of Santo Domingo has sent 1200 men against the revolutionists. It is believed a desperate civil war will follow.

—Greensboro Record. Mr. James B. Mangum, a former resident of this place, now of Charlotte, is in the city for a few days to visit friends. He has not been in Greensboro for four years and has to be careful to keep from getting lost.

NEW BELL FROM BLACKJACK.

A ball of new cotton from the Blackjack section was brought in today by Dr. Will Reid, of Pineville. The ball is fairly well filled out and is the first from that section although not the first from the county, which was brought in last week.

—The Charlotte Academy of Medicine will meet tonight at 8:30 o'clock at the city hall. Papers will be read by Drs. McManaway and McLaughlin.

COMPLETE LONG DISTANCE 'PHONE SERVICE FOR NEWS

The News has Made Contract with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company for Complete Service. Office to be Installed at Once.

Editors of The News to be in Direct Communication with Every Part of State and Southern States. To get News as it Happens.

For quick and accurate communication to all parts of this State and East of the Mississippi river, The News has contracted with the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company by which its special long distance service will be at the disposal of this paper.

Mr. Jennings, representing the company was in the city yesterday and completed all arrangements for the new service which will go into effect as soon as possible.

Special terminals will be placed in the offices of the telegraph, correspondence and local editors and at all times this paper will be in constant communication with its numerous correspondents in this and other Southern States, embracing an area of all Southern States East of the Mississippi river.

What better news service would the subscribers of The News care for? By this new arrangement our readers will get all the news that's fit to print; get it quickly and accurately.

At all hours through the day, and night, the correspondents of this paper will be enabled to keep in touch with the editors who will by this method be able to give the news quicker and more complete.

The messages will be received here by a special stenographer who will be equipped with the necessary telephone head gear to receive the messages and afterwards of the traffic department printers just as quick as the large newspapers of New York City do.

Every part of the State will be under the control of The News' editors voice while the telegraph editor will be in constant and ready communication with every city and town East of the Mississippi and in those towns where the telegraph offices are closed at night The News telephone service will be a remedy.

The equipment for this special telephone service was designed and made practicable by Mr. Chauncey Smith, superintendent of the traffic department of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, after a long and careful study of the possibilities of increasing the facilities for gathering news.

Calls will be handled by means of code signals which will greatly lessen the time ordinarily required for connections, and just as soon as the new service is installed the correspondents of The News in all parts of the State will be enabled to communicate with the editors of the paper in a very short space of time.

The usual correspondence will go on just the same, though the more important news items will be transmitted over the wires almost direct to the printer.

These connections will be unbreakable until the editor has gained all information desirable from the correspondent at the other end.

MR. W. E. HIPPI'S CONDITION.

Attending Physicians Entertain Some Hope for His Recovery.

Although Mr. W. E. Hippy remains in a serious condition and is still unconscious the attending physicians now entertain some hope for his recovery. Physicians remained at his bedside all night and this morning about 5 o'clock he rallied slightly. He was asked if he wanted a drink of water to which he nodded his head and drank a small quantity. This afternoon the physicians held a consultation. All were of the opinion that his condition was as favorable as could be expected under the circumstances.

DESPERATE CIVIL WAR IS FEARED

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