

SHIPS OF WAR REACH TRIPOLI

Italian Vessels and Expeditionary Force Are Lying Off the African Coast.

EUROPEANS IN PANIC FEARING A MASSACRE

Many Flee Country, Special Steamships Conveying Refugees to Malta—Turkish Force Inadequate.

London, Sept. 27.—A Paris dispatch says that Italy today sent an ultimatum to Turkey saying that the latter must agree to an Italian occupation of Tripoli.

Malta, Sept. 27.—A private message from Tripoli says that Italian warships with an expeditionary force are lying off Tripoli and there is a panic among the Italians there.

From all sources comes the information that Italy is preparing to force a compliance with her demands by the mobilization of her army and navy and the movement of warships toward Tripoli.

The Turkish force at Tripoli is variously estimated at from 20,000 to 30,000 men, described as badly equipped and unable to offer serious opposition to Italian landing parties.

Turkey Fears Dismemberment. Constantinople, Sept. 27.—Public opinion here is much excited, as it is felt that the occupation of Tripoli by Italian forces will induce England to proclaim British sovereignty in Egypt.

May Seek American Intervention. Beirut, L. L., Sept. 27.—Zia Bey Paucha, the Turkish ambassador to the United States, told a representative of the Associated Press last night that he had received no instructions from the Porte to invoke the good offices of the American government.

The guaranty of integrity contained in the treaty of Paris, which concluded the Crimean war, was reiterated in the treaty signed at Berlin in 1878.

Tripoli is a region of northern Africa included among the Barbary States and constitutes a province of the Turkish empire. The Tripolitans were chieftain by the United States at the opening of the nineteenth century.

Ten years ago Italy, in return for declaring herself disinterested in Tunis, where she had considerable influence, obtained French recognition of her predominant rights in Tripoli.

French Proposals Accepted by Germany. Paris, Sept. 27.—The German minister of foreign affairs, Kiderlin-Waechter, received French ambassador Cambon in Berlin at noon today and informed him that Germany had accepted the latest French proposals concerning Morocco.

Arkansas Bank Suspends. Little Rock, Sept. 27.—Upon the petition of D. A. Frayser of Memphis receiver for the All Right and City Bank of that city, Chancellor McWhorter appointed Wm. S. Lewis receiver.

Scenes of Flood in Hankow



THE TAIPIING ROAD, HANKOW.



THE BUND, HANKOW.

Presented herewith are some interesting photographs of recent flood scenes in China. The upper view shows the Haijing road, Hankow, the dividing line between the Chinese city and the foreign concession.

GIRL IS POISONED; A SISTER ARRESTED

Fourth Mysterious Death in New Orleans Family Causes Police to Suspect Beneficiary of Insurance Policies—Analysis Reveals Opium as Agent Used.

New Orleans, Sept. 27.—Following the report that the stomach of Elsie Crawford, who died suddenly a few days ago, contained opium, Miss Annie Crawford, a sister of the dead woman, was arrested. The police assert there is evidence to warrant holding her.

Elsie is the fourth member of the Crawford family to die under mysterious circumstances in 14 months.

James Rolph Elected AS MAYOR OF 'FRISCO

Soup Kitchen Man Wins Decisive Victory in City's First Direct Primary Election.

San Francisco, Sept. 27.—James Rolph, Jr., yesterday elected mayor of San Francisco, is widely known as the man who kept soup kitchens in the "mission district" following the great fire of 1906.

Rolph is 42 years old. He is president of the Shipowners association. He is also president of two banks. He started in life poor.

NEW ORLEANS STATION PRACTICALLY CLOSED

Washington, Sept. 27.—Unmoved by the adverse agitation in the south, the navy department is steadily carrying out the plans projected by Secretary Meyer for the practical closing of southern navy yards.

Republic Cleared of Wreckage. Toulon, Sept. 27.—The tremendous force of the explosion which destroyed the battleship Liberté Monday was again indicated today when a piece of the Liberté's armor plate was lifted from the side of the battleship République upon which it fell.

4 DIE IN FIGHT, FIFTH LYNCHED

Arkansas Sheriff and Deputy Slay Two and Are Themselves Shot to Death.

MOB ENTERS PRISON AND HANGS SURVIVOR

Charles Malpass, Himself Wounded in the Battle, Strung up by Enraged Citizens.

Dumas, Ark., Sept. 27.—Breaking into the county jail this forenoon and overpowering the officers, a mob of 100 men took Charles Malpass, sr., a white man, to a water tank and lynched him.

The lynching followed a battle yesterday at the Malpass home, where Sheriff Preston, Deputy Sheriff Stiel and two mulatto sons of Malpass were killed and Malpass was wounded.

Officers had gone to the Malpass home to arrest the sons.

The wife of Charles Malpass, sr., a negro, and Malpass' younger son escaped during the fight.

DECLARE WOMAN AIDED IN ESCAPE OF LYMAN

Said to Have Taken Him in Automobile from San Francisco Hospital.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 27.—That a woman friend of Dr. J. Grant Lyman, promoter of the allegedly bogus Panama Development company, who was arrested at San Francisco, where he escaped from a hospital, aided in his escape is the information sent the police in that city by the local officials.

After Dr. Lyman left this city the woman was shadowed. It is said she took him from the San Francisco hospital in an automobile. The police refuse to divulge her name, but have detailed two men from the local department to aid the federal officers to locate her.

THE PRESIDENT VISITS THREE KANSAS CITIES

Topeka, Kas., Sept. 27.—President Taft spent six hours in Topeka today, beginning his third day in Kansas. The president's train reached here at 5 o'clock and at 7 o'clock the president and party were driven to the Country club for breakfast.

MOVE TO STOP FIGHT

Injunction Prevents Use of Building for Johnson-Wells Match in London.

AFTER BAILEY'S POST

Austin, Tex., Sept. 27.—Thomas H. Ball, prohibitionist leader in the recent statewide election, today announced his candidacy to succeed United States Senator Joseph W. Bailey.

JURY IS IMPANELLED IN SETH WOOD CASE

Special to the Gazette-News. Waynesville, Sept. 27.—Two hours and five minutes was required to get a jury in the Seth Woods case today. The jurors are G. W. Justice and W. R. Boyd, two regulars; J. N. Downs, S. A. Cullie, M. A. Howell, J. R. McCleary, J. H. Crossman, F. D. Robinson, John Little, A. C. Messer, W. L. Mohaffey and A. C. Downs.

CLERKS OUT AT CAIRO

Entire Force Quits When Railroad Refuses to Recognize the Federation.

Prince of Wales as "Middy"



This may, perhaps, be described as the first "studio" portrait of the heir to the British throne taken since he was gazetted as a midshipman to the Hindustan last month.

IN GARB OF PRIEST LURES 60 TO DEATH

Mexican Officer, Impersonating Catholic Father, Obtains Confession of Widespread Revolutionary Plot in Mexico—Sixty Men Implicated Are Shot by Soldiery.

Los Angeles, Sept. 27.—A story reaches here of a young Mexican army officer uncovering a Magonista revolutionary plot and of the execution in consequence of 60 Mexican revolutionists of Guana Juata.

The officer shaved his head and in the frock of a priest obtained the confession of 20 Magonistas who had been told they were about to be shot.

Health Officer Starts Campaign Refused Admittance to County Institutions, Will Obtain Writ of Mandamus.

Gazette-News Bureau, Raleigh, Sept. 27.

Dr. J. J. L. McCullers, whose election as county superintendent of health is not recognized by the board of county commissioners, took the first steps today to enforce his authority.

OPENED THE SAFE AND TOOK \$115

No Trace of Robbers of a Greensboro Grocery Store—Enter by Window.

GEESE FIND GOLD.

Discovery of Nuggets in the Craws of Fowls Starts California Rush.

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A WILD RUSH TO BUY STEEL

Effect of Corporation's Announcement It Would Not Dissolve Voluntarily Electrical.

VOLUME OF TRADING IN ISSUES ENORMOUS

Scenes of Great Confusion on the Floor, 600,000 Shares Changing Hands in Hour.

New York, Sept. 27.—A wild rush to buy stocks sent up prices at the opening of the stock market today. The effect of the United States steel corporation's statement that it would not dissolve voluntarily was electrical.

Trading in steel stocks was on an unprecedented scale. The opening transaction was a block of 39,000 shares at a gain of 5 1/2 points.

Throughout the morning session, transactions were on an enormous scale. Not even during the violent declines last week was the amount of business swollen to such abnormal proportions as during this morning's trading.

Transactions in the first hour exceeded 50,000 shares and by noon the total was above 300,000 shares.

During the second hour the decline became rapid and opening gains were either eliminated or reduced to nominal proportions.

Steel Corporation Statement. The following statement was issued by the steel corporation concerning current business:

"Existing conditions are affecting business to the extent that instead of contract bookings for forward delivery, customers are buying only for immediate requirements. Nevertheless strange as it may be, the volume of prompt business is larger than usual, specifications running upwards of 20,000 tons per day.

Of the 4,500,000 tons on the books, of which 320,000 tons is in the inter-company business, it may be said from the standpoint of mill operations, it is better business than an old-time contract order book of double the tonnage, inasmuch as it represents a business capable of specifications in sufficient volume to operate our mills on the present basis for some months to come."

POSTMASTER GENERAL IN AEROPLANE FLIGHT

Frank H. Hitchcock Delivers Pouch of Mail Matter—Flight Without Mishap.

New York, Sept. 27.—Frank H. Hitchcock, postmaster general of the United States, qualified as an aerial mail carrier on Long Island late yesterday. While a large crowd cheered vociferously, the postmaster general took a seat beside Captain Paul Beck, of the United States army, in the latter's aeroplane, carrying 75 pounds of mail matter.

The time is certainly coming," he said enthusiastically. "When we must depend upon the aeroplane for carrying mail, it is not effective yet, but it is being developed in a marvelous way, and I think we shall soon find it practical."

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Ex-Governor Proctor Dead.

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