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ASHEVILLE N. C., FRIDAY MORNING AUGUST 18, 190;

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

HAVE A LARGE BUILDING

ON BATTERY PARK HILL

# STOCKHOLDERS AND DIRECTORS OF ASHE-PEAGE ENVOYS VILLE TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO., **OUTLINE PLANS FOR \$125,000 PLANT**

YELLOW JACK

IS SPREADING

IN MISSISSIPPI CITY

Many Centres of Infection Re-

ported From Louisiana

**Points** 

Before Its Discovery in

New Orleans

Total to date 1,223.

Total deaths to date 180

orted today are above Canal street.

Rather alarming news from outside

aFourche parish health officers report videspread infection in the Levelle

ishing settlement at the mouth of

he city. There are probably 100 cases

of sickness there, and Dr. Stark today

lagnosed six out of thirty as yelllow

lever. He classed the others as a mild

ype of yellow fever, or as denue. These

shermen and oystermen have been in

lose communication with New Orleans;

Mississippi Perturbed.

there are four new cases at Mississippl

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Deaths 4.

SEVERAL CASES FOUND

Important Meeting Held at the Battery Park Hotel Yesterday Morning Holds Promise of Giving to Asheville a Telephone Service Second to None in the Country---- Erection of Handsome Building

## TELEPHONE WIRES ARE DESTINED **TO GO UNDER THE GROUND**

Installation of Proposed System Would Abolish the Fever Existed in That Town useless to proceed for Style of Calling "Central" Now in Vogue----"Drop Lights" to Take Place of Present System----Another Meeting Scheduled for Atlanta Soon

holders and directors of the Asheville calls will be materially was held at the Battery Park hotel more yesterday morning at which plans for wires" the erection of a new selephone ex-At this meeting were Mr. W. T. Gen- or falls to the ground, it is instantly try, of Atlanta, president of the Asheville Telephone and Telegraph company, D. I. Carson, secretary, Mr. J. W. Crews, director, Addison Mau- pairs. pin, director, all of A lanta, Ga., Frank Carter and Mrs. Charity Craig, directors, of this city.

Prospects Rosy. While no definite decision was arrived at The Citizen has authority for stating that the prospects of Asheville securing a new and costly telephone plant are extremely bright. The change from the present telephone system to a thoroughly modern one will involve the expenditure of \$125. 000. An underground "drop light" system as contemplated for Asheville would place the telephone service of this city on a par with any in the

Handsome New Building.

The crection of a handsome thoroughly equipped brick building at Walnut and Penland streets form the nucleus of the plans discussed yesterday morning. To a Citizen repre-"While our plans are not fully matured. I can say that the prospects for your city possessing a plan second to hore are exceedingly rosy There are one or two obstacles in the Commissioner Burra Says the way of a successful "ermination of our present plans, but these I think can he overcome without much trouble. It has always been our intention to live up to the promises we made to your city officials, and even go beyond them. But you know Rome was not built in a day and gigantic undertakings cannot be rushed through without study and full discussion. We will shorely hold another meeting in Atlenta and after that you can look forward to big things."

telephore receiver from the book. When this is done a light correspondthe to the colling telephone shows before the operator.

Better Service Assured.

An Important meeting of the sack- to, in handling the same number of reduced. Telephone and Telegraph Company which fact would obviously result in efficient will lose their terrors for the "trouble cleck" and subscribers afike change in this city were discussed. The moment a wire crosses another,

> system will be so far ahead of what this city now possesses that the Ashe public will have nothing lef to be desired in the way of telephone

known in the central office, when the

sent our to make the necessary re

mainifinance force

Leave for Atlanta Mr. Gen ry. Maupin arrived in the city Wed-nesday evening and registered at the Battery Park. Mr.' Crews came from Brevard, where Crews have been visiting for the las-ten days. The first three gentlemen left for Atlanta yesterday afternoon while Mr. and Mrs. Crews returned

### HINES CHARGED WITH PERJURY

Vice president Made Three Different Sworn Statement:

Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 17.—At The first business session of the Nationa Railway Association Stett Burra, com missioner from Florida, created a sen-sation when he openly denounced Walker A. Hiner, former assauciate Underground System.

The system under consideration for of the Louisville & Nashville railroad this city is known as the "common as a perjurer. He says Hines made battery, cer rel energy, undergound a statement of the valuation of the system." As its name plainly indiproperty of the Louisville & Nashville cates, all telephone wires in what is "fire district" of the ida for the purpose of taxation for the city will go underground, thus reliev- year ending June 30, 1902. He says he ing the stree a of unsightly poles, and later made another sworn statement to the commissioners of Florida on the wires. But the most desirable feature of all will be the change from the for rate-making purposes, and which "magneto." (or calling the operator was much greater. Later, he says by ringing) to an automotic call Hines made another sworn statement which is given by simply lifting the of the value of the property of the same year, when applying for a tem-porary injunction in the United States district court to enjoin the commissioner from enforcing a reduction in passenger rates, which was double the In the operation of the proposed statement made to the commissioner switchboard the labor of each operation or to the comptroller.

# TRAIN PLUNGES INTO RIVER; FIFTY PERSONS ARE DROWNED

Open Draw Cause of Frightful Wreck on Seaboard-Passengers Penned in Cars Die by Scores While . a Hundred are Injured

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 17.—Owing to A large number of physicians from to the inability of Engineer D. L. Rieg this and nearby cities have gone to to control his air brakes, ah excursion the scene. Kinston, N. C., bound to this city, plunged through an open draw in a ones were Edward Joheffe, manager bridge over the western branch of the of the excussion, and Edward Forbes, Elizabeth river at Bruce station, 8 who assisted him, both of Greenvills, miles from Norfolk this afternoon and N. C. half a hundred persons, mostly ne- | The Merrit: Wrecking organization groes were downed. Up to a late hour tonight dispatched an expedition to

tonight only seven bodies had been the scene for the purpose of raising recovered from the wreckage. The list the sunken cars, which he in about of injured, so far as an be ascertained, numbers nearly 100, though most raised no accurate estimate of the of these are slightly hurt.

# IN DEADLOCK

Russians and Japs at Ports- Memorial to 60th N. C. Vol. mouth Pall to Agree on "Reimbursement"

QUESTION OF INDEMNITY BONE OF CONTENTION

Neither Side Shows Disposi | Park Commissioners Will Not tion to Yield "and There You Have It"

the note. The darker hour is just be fore the dawn and there is still hope ow certainly will not be justified upup his hat and announce Mr. Witse, at least, will not be prenorrow's session after article 11 (the imitation of Russia's Far East) and article (fishing rights on the Russian Littorah are disposed in his city of, he will favor an adjournment until. The difficu Monday to hear the last word from St.

pessimism tonight is based then the fact that no pogress was nade today. The exchange of views at the mroning session upon article (remuneration for the cost of the war) tries were as far apa: as possible and ender of the interned Russian was hips) was also parsed not. opinion of one of the plenipotentiaries when the Associated Press orrespond not have been arranged. main points in dispute hanging over the conference, both sides were cauflous and preferred to pos pone it to the end. Article 11 (limitation of se power) is also adjustable after mod ification, an article 12 will present no difficulties. So that tonight the situation was practically where it Witte last , Saturday pre-Bayou LaFourche, eight miles south of senied the Russian reply with its nonpossimus to articles 5 and 9 (indem ity and Sakhalin) Chance of Compromise

only chance is now comp mise. Russia to yield Sakhalin and Japan indomnity, Neither both and perhaps Japan, at the fina A dispatch from Gulfport says that Witte, under the imperial indications here are four new cases at Mississippi contained in the instructions given City, making thirteen now under treat- him before he left St. Petersburg can nent. The discovery of this nest of agree neither to pay war tribute nor him before he left St. Petersburg can infection on the Mississippi coast of cede a foot of Russian soil. St. Pet

annung, since July 20, has ersburg, therefore, on the last resort

caused a good deal of perturbation in remains to be heard from. Doubtless Mississippi and there is now a fear this is the reason why he favors

# MONUMENT MAY WOMAN'S EXCHANGE WILL REMAIN HERE

unteers May Not go to Chicamagua

DISPUTE ARISES OVER LOCATION FOR SHAFT

Allow Claims of Local Committee

less Baron Kumura uguratively picks dispute between the park commission s that it is and those having the erection of the st ad a smaller marker will be placed in the park and the shaft elected at some suitable place

The difficulty in reaching an agree nent as to the location of the monu-Ray, who has been a leader in the tera of the Confederacy of Asheville the 60th N. C. Volunteers. contract for the monument was let al most two months ago to the Chere kee Marble works of this city and the It is said that a contract has a \$100 marker similar to the ones be ng prepared for the thirty and fifty-eighth N. C. teers and that this marker, an appro priation for which was made by th egislature will be placed on the spodesignated by the park commission nst ad of the smaller shaft.

Question of Position

The intention was to place onument near the Lafayette road in n the park, that place having been cached by the regiment according to clonel Ray and other members, of the famous regiment at now or the day of the battle but the park commission ers are said to be of the opinion that sixti th did not attain a positio so near the Federal lines.

The Citizen, Colonel Ray said he had no statement to make about the re ported disagreement. He did not deny that a snag had been struck that the abandonment of the dea of erecting the large monment in hicamanga park but declared that a yet the matter has not been settled one way or another. When asked about the ordering of asmall marker

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# MORE TROUBLE IN CANAL ZONE WOMAN'S CLUB IDEA

Rumors of Financial Difficul tles Circulating Freely at Panama

OPERATIONS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED

Chairman Shonts Says Suspension is Due to Sani tary Reasons

ported here that he suspension of endon is dut to the desirability of under aking the improvement of sanitary enditions in the canal zone.

A resumption of operations is not ex ected until congress meets.

#### SHONTS EXPLAINS RECENT ACTIONS

epor, that the suspension of digging perations on the Panama canal had een caused by the exhaustion of the congressional appropriation for constructing the Isthmian waterway, thedore Shonts, chairman of the Panama anal commission, today said;

"It is not true that there has been ny shortage, or that our plans for forwarding the work on the canal were urtailed for lack of money. The queston of funds has not interfered with "There is, moreover, scarcely a possi-

ack of funds, because the commission has the right at all times to contracgainst the apppropriation of congress The order issued by the commission ease excavation on the canal was due o the fact that before the men could dig with steam shovels they must have railroads to carry away the dirt. "It was further issued because "he employes had to have a place to live in before they could be expected to work,

# TAGGART'S LETTERS

Wooster, O., Aug. 17.—"We shall close little doubt is entertained that arvidence that Captain Taggart, after all the wrongs to which he has been be any fallure in the carrying out of subjected, still bore in his heart a tender affection for his wife, and pleaded with her to return to him."

This statement was made by Attorney Sterling at the close of the morning session as he went to inspect the letters turned over to him by Judge Smyser. These letters are the ones which Mrs. Taggart's attorneys fought so hard to keep from Sterling and Wertz. and which were written while Taggartwas confined in the military hospital His death was due to nervous posat 'he order of General Miner.

Handsome Three Story Structure to be Erected by the Coxe Estate

MAY BE DEVELOPED

Second and Third Floors Will be Well Suited for This Purpose

The Coxe Estate has prepared plans x a fine three story brick building he use of the Womanis Exchange.

The building will be constructed of he patent time brick made by the French Broad Granite brick companyy whose white color will give a pleasterior will be designed especially for the uses to which it is to be put by he Exchange

The situation is an ideal one. It 's Park, little more than a block to avenue at the Postoffice and

to the Auditorium opposite the rapicly building shopping district of Hay-Club. of the Woman's Exchange indicate an advance in ideas and scope which are significant of the progress being made by Asheville and if carried out will take the Exchange here a most notable organization They include arge storeroom on the ground floor where will be exhibited cles offered for sale, a ladies' dining oom on tihe second modern equipment, and on the third

these plans includes the possibility be used in connection with the floor to make what might be termed woman's club. There has sideable discussion of such an organused by ladies while shopping or in the business district and by ladies from out of the city and there was several months ago a partly formed ovement to create such an organiza-The need of such club rooms most desirable leads to the hope that this tentative plan will be out. At present, however, it is only certain that there will be rooms on the hird floor available for meetings or for rent.

The arrangement of the building in respect to site will be such that the ining room will be on a level he driveway to be constructed in the par and entrance at both front and rear will be as it is to the Asheville

The Woman's Exchange has been so wonderfully successful in the accom-plishment of the work H is doing for GIVEN IN EVIDENCE plishment of the work to help them-women in alding women to help them-selves and the management, which is by prominent women of the city, has been so thoroughly capable that of this building, which in such case will be promptly begun. Should there tentative plans no building will be erected.

#### LYMAN HALL DIES

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 17.—A special from Danville, N. Y., announces the death at a sanitarium there early to-day of Captain Lymn Hall, president of the Georgia School of Technology. tration, brought on by over-work,

#### RECIPROCITY CONFERENCE CALLS FOR A MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM TARIFF LAW

the United States and foreign countries, fon with which the country is confinished its work oday, arranged for a committee of fifteen to prosecute the rocal concessions be arranged by a

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 17.—The reciprocity conference, called to devise means of bettering the trade relations between iff as a means of relieving the situaplans of the convention and formed a permanent tariff commission to be crepermanent organization, to be styled ated by congress and to be appointed by the president of Court and Court area.

### SUICIDE LEAVES LETTER CHARGING beadest august A BROTHER WITH GROSSEST CRUELTY

Philadelphia, Aug. 17.—Confessing "My brother William R. Thompson, of that he had lived under an assumed Sparkill, N. Y., knows my circumname for a quarter of a century, and stances and will not help me or my revealing the fact to his family and family. He allowed his brother, Dr. friends that he was related by blood and marriage to prominent and exeatity people of Pittsburg, Joseph A. Thompson, of this city, today swallowed counide of potassium, laid himself on a bench in Pairmount Park and deld. His body was found by a man who was swelling through the park. Near him on the bench iny two letters which, in part, told the story of his life. One of the litters said: way but this."

family. He allowed his brother, Dr. A. D. Thompson, to starve to death in Philadelphia in 1775, or '80 an also we had look of the philadelphia in 1775, or '80 an also we had look of the philadelphia in 1775, or '80 an also we had look of the littsburg, to death in Philadelphia in 1775, or '80 an also we had to send him to Florida where he ha



-Gosh durn! When I wuz a boy them weedstnever growed with such rapidity : they do now!